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For the Fiscal Year Ending
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2010 Whately Annual Town Report Dedication

Adelia Bardwell



Each year the Whately Annual Town Report is dedicated to an individual who has devoted him or herself to making the Town of Whately a community in which we can all be proud. Many men and women have been recognized over the years for their contributions to the Town of Whately. This year, the citizens of Whately dedicate the annual report to Adelia Bardwell who has served the town in many capacities over the years. It has been said, that if there is a project to be done, have Adelia on the committee.

Adelia Allis was born in Whately to Edward and Marion (Osgood) Allis. The Allis' have been a part of Whately since its incorporation in 1771. Adelia attended Whately schools and Deerfield High School where she started her civic involvement as class president. She attended the University of Massachusetts and earned her master's in education from Westfield State College. Adelia taught third grade in Greenfield for 39 years retiring in 1999.

Adelia married Fred Bardwell in 1963 and had two children, Keith and Robert. The 1992 Town Report was dedicated to Fred for his many years of service as a former Selectmen, Cemetery Commissioner and his continued role as a member of the Planning Board. Keith serves as the Town's Highway Superintendent/Tree Warden and Deputy Fire Chief. Robert has followed in her educational footsteps by serving as a guidance counselor at Monson High School and an adjunct professor at Westfield State College. It seems that a commitment to civic devotion and education runs in the Bardwell family.

Whately benefited from Adelia's civic mindedness very early. Adelia joined Whately Grange 414 when she was 14 and has served in various capacities including Master over her 58 year membership. For many years she organized the Grange sponsored annual Memorial Day activities. Adelia does not limit her activities to just the town of Whately as she also serves on various grange state committees and was a past master of the Connecticut Valley Pomona Grange.

Her teaching skills were put in place early as a Sunday School teacher, and a member of the choir at the Whately Congregational Church when she was just a teenager. She continues to sing in the choir to this day. Her devotion to the church has continued through out her life. Not only has Adelia served on committees and as an officer of her church, she has been active in both county and state church organizations. The West Whately Chapel restoration was another of Adelia's many projects and she still continues to schedule ongoing activities at the Chapel.

During Whately's 1971 Bicentennial, Adelia served as secretary of the Whately Bicentennial Committee helping to plan the many events that took place during the Bicentennial Celebration Year including hosting Julian Whately, a direct descendant of Thomas Whately for whom our town was named.

As President of the Whately Historical Society, Adelia is continuing the efforts of past presidents in obtaining oral histories from many residents of Whately. She is spearheading efforts to preserve these histories by digitalizing the records originally recorded on reel to reel, cassette or VCR tapes. The Historical Society receives many phone calls from people wishing to find out about Whately family connections and Adelia can be found at all hours at the Center School Historical Society researching these requests or meeting with people.

Town government has also benefited from Adelia's service. She served as a member of the School Committee for fifteen years from 1978 – 1993 and was on the committee when the new elementary school was built. For 38 years Adelia and Fred kept records, mowed lawn, raked leaves and generally maintained the three town cemeteries as a member of the Cemetery Commissioners. This was a role that she held until 2008.

Adelia's interests are varied and she has also served a six year stint on the Cultural Council which awards small grants to various cultural activities for the town. She continues to serve on the Municipal Building Committee which was created to determine the best use of our town buildings. The Municipal Building Committee is recommending consolidation of town offices into a renovated Town Hall.

Some might wonder how Adelia has been able to keep all of her civic obligations in order but those of us who know her, we recognize the ever present list organizing all the tasks that she wants to complete. Not only does she handle all the civic obligations, but she has a very busy private life caring for her family especially her grandchildren. Many times you will see her with one or more of the grandchildren in tow, completing the never ending tasks on her lists. Perhaps the next generation is being primed to continue the legacy of civic participation that Adelia has lived by all these years.

Adelia Bardwell's strong commitment to community will continue to benefit the town for years to come. She is a dedicated town volunteer and cares about the future of the Town of Whately. It is with deep respect and appreciation that this town report is dedicated to Adelia Bardwell.

On behalf of the townspeople of Whately,

Paul K. Newlin, Chairman
Board of Selectmen

Board or Committee:	Meeting Date:
Agricultural Commission	No set meeting date
Assessors	Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00 P.M., Town Hall
Board of Health	2 nd Tuesday, 7:00 P.M., Center School
Cable TV Advisory Committee	No set meeting date
Capital Planning Committee	No set meeting date
Cemetery Commissioners	No set meeting date
Conservation Commission	3 rd Wednesday, 7:00 P.M., Town Hall
Council on Aging	2 nd Tuesday, 12:30 P.M., Senior Center
CPC – Community Preservation Comm	2 nd Wednesday, 6:00 P.M., Town Hall
Cultural Council	No set meeting date
Energy Committee	No set meeting date
FCAT	2 nd Thursday, 7 P.M. 8B Elm St., So. Dfld
Finance Committee	No set meeting date
Franklin County Coop. Inspection Prog.	No set meeting date
Franklin County Technical School Comm.	2 nd Wednesday, 7:00 P.M., Tech School
Friends of the Library	1 st Wednesday, 7:00 P.M., Library
Frontier Regional School Committee	2 nd Tuesday, 7:00 P.M., Frontier
Historical Commission	3 rd Monday, 7:00 P.M., Town Hall
Historical Society	1 st Thursday, 7:30 P.M., Center School
Implementation Committee	No set meeting date
Library Trustees	2 nd Tuesday, 7:00 P.M., Library
Personnel Committee	No set meeting date
Planning Board	Last Tuesday, 7:00 P.M., Town Hall
Recreation Commission	2 nd Monday, 7:00 P.M., WES or Herlihy Park
Selectmen	2 nd & Last Tuesday, 7:00 P.M. Center School
Town Clerk	Mondays Noon – 7:00 P.M. Tue. – Fri. – 9 – 4 P.M. Center School
Town Collector	Mondays, 3-7 P.M., Town Hall
Treasurer	Tues. and Thurs., 8:45-2:45 P.M. Town Hall
Tri-Town Beach Committee	No set meeting date
Waste Management Committee	No set meeting date
Water Commissioners	1 st Tuesday, 7:00 P.M., Center School
Whately Grange	See Annual Program Schedule
Whately School Committee	1 st Monday, 7:00 P.M., WES
Zoning Board of Appeals	1 st Thursday, 6:30 P.M., Town Hall

Note: This schedule is provided for informational purposes only. Please check the Town Clerk's Board at the Center School Offices for official notification of meetings and hearings. Meetings are also posted on the Whately Website Calendar, www.whately.org and the Whately Bulletin Board broadcast on Channel 15 for cable viewers in town.

WHATELY TOWN OFFICIALS

Elected Officials

Board of Selectmen

Jonathan S. Edwards	2013
Paul Newlin, Chair	2011
Joyce Palmer Fortune	2012

Town Clerk

Lynn M. Sibley	2013
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Assessors

Frederick Orloski	2012
Katherine Fleuriel, Chair	2013
Melanie Chorak	2011

Board of Health

Caroline Gear	2011
Francis Fortino, Chair	2012
Michael Archbald	2013

School Committee

Robert Halla	2013
Donald Skroski	2011
Nathanael Fortune	2012

Frontier Regional School Committee

William J. Smith	2012
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Library Trustees

Barbara Banik	2012
Ellen Brown	2012
Kathleen Smith	2011
Pamela White	2013
Ken Moulton	2013
Robert Duda	2011

Cemetery Commissioners

Paul M. Fleuriel, Jr.	2013
Peter D. Hannum	2012
Roland Kinsman (resigned)	2011
Lee Felton	2011

Moderator

Paul M. Fleuriel, Jr.	2011
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Constables

Edwin Zaniewski	2013
Thomas Mahar	2013

Elector to the Will of Oliver Smith

John LaSalle	2011
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Water Commissioners

Paul M. Fleuriel, Jr.	2012
George Bucala, Jr. Chair	2013
Georgeann Dufault	2011

Selectmen's Appointments

Administrative

Town Administrator

Lynn Sibley	2011
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Municipal Secretary

Barbara Hancock (resigned)	2010
Maryellen Cranston	2011

Town Accountant

FrCOG – Joyce Muka	2011
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Treasurer/Collector

Susan Warriner	2011
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Town Counsel

Kopelman & Paige	2011
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Public Services

Superintendent of Streets

Keith Bardwell	2011
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Keeper of the Pound

Daniel G. Denehy	2011
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Tree Warden

Keith E. Bardwell	2011
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Public Safety

Chief of Police

James Sevigne, Jr.	2012
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Full-time Officers

Donald Bates	2011	2010
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Part-time Police Officers 2011

Randall Williams
 Paul Herbert
 Diane Wilder
 Philip Malone
 James Purcell
 Marc Bryden
 Daniel Ryan
 Jeffrey Baker
 Scott Hutkoski
 Robert Warger
 Edwin Zaniewski
 Heath Cummings
 James Bernier

Fire Chief and Forest Warden

John S. Hannum 2011

Emergency Management Director

Lynn M. Sibley 2011

Assistant Emergency Management Director

Alan E. Sanderson, Jr. 2011

Animal Control Officer

Richard Adamcek 2011

Hazardous Waste Coordinator

William Obear 2011

Municipal Right to Know Coordinator

John S. Hannum 2011

Inspectors and Inspection Services**Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program Representative**

James Ross 2011

Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program 2011

Building Inspectors
 James D. Hawkins
 James A. Cerone
 Wiring Inspector
 Tom MacDonald
 Plumbing Inspector
 Andy French

Inspector of Animals and Barns

Richard Adamcek 2011

Weights and Measurers

2011

Lyndon L. Scott
 Alan Sanderson, Sr.
 Joseph Rup
 Northampton Coop Auction
 Robert Warner
 Janet Land
 Kim Reardon
 John Payne
 Samantha Warner

Fence Viewers and Field Drivers 2011

Ai S. Annis, Jr.
 David Chamutka
 Richard Adamcek
 Vacancy

Veterans Services**Veteran's Agent**

Leo Parent 2011
 Central Franklin County Vet. District

Town Representative to Franklin County Veterans District

Donald Sluter 2011

Veterans Graves Officer

Raymond Billiel 2011

General Government**Registrars of Voters**

Neal B. Sanderson 2013
 Nicole Ciesluk 2012
 Theresa Billiel 2011
 Lynn Sibley, Clerk 2013

Zoning Board of Appeals

Debra Carney, Vice-Chair 2011
 Roger P. Lipton, Chair 2012
 Robert Smith 2013
Alternates
 Frederick Orloski 2011
 Vacant

Conservation Commission

Scott Jackson, Chair	2013
Terrence Reynolds (resigned)	2011
Montserrat Archbald	2011
Patricia Devine	2012
George Owens	2013
Andrew Ostrowski	2011

Tri-Town Beach Committee

William Skroski, Jr. Chair	2013
Elizabeth Orloski-Perfido	2011
Susan Monahan	2012

Recreation Commission

Charles DeForest	2011
Nicole Ciesluk	2011
Robert Englehardt	2011
Carrie Fydenkevez	2011
Fred Warren, Chair	2011
Todd Jarvis	2011
Jamie Vielmetti	2011

Historical Commission

Alan McArdle, Chair	2013
Judy Markland	2011
Howard Nenner	2012
Darcy Tozier	2013
Vacancy	

Energy Committee

Lynn DiTullio
Jonathan Edwards
Nathanael Fortune
Gary Grybko

Cultural Council

Frances Symanski	2012
Ramsay Klaff, ex-officio	
George Colt	2011
Neal Abraham, Chair	2012
Katherine Ross	2010
Marianne Simon	2011
Tom Leamon	2011
Shirley Pielock	2012

Council on Aging

Josephine Wasielewski	2011
Barbara Banik, Chair	2013
Bernard Mizula	2012
Virginia C. Allis	2011
Lois Bean	2012
Julia Mason	2013
Vacancy	

Agricultural Committee

Timothy Nourse-Chair	2011
William Obear-Secretary	2013
David Chamutka	2011
John Devine	2013
Margaret Christie	2012
Cris Coffin-Consultant	

Implementation Committee

Judy Markland
Kay Klippel
Rebecca Jones
Paul Newlin
Mary Shanley Koeber

Open Space Advisory Committee

Mary Shanley-Koeber
Jonathan Edwards
Tom Litwin

Building Code Board of Appeals

Ralph Farrick	2013
Joseph Rup	2014
Randy Sibley	2012
Ewan Mikolajczuk	2011
Vacancy	

Cable TV Advisory Committee

Gregory Gagnon, Chair
John K. Talmage
Gary Lawrence
Randy K. Sibley
Joyce Palmer-Fortune

Franklin County Overall Economic Development Plan Committee Representative

Harold R. Swift, Jr.

**Franklin County Economic Target
Area Representative**

Harold R. Swift, Jr.

**Franklin Regional Council of
Governments Representative**

Lynn Sibley 2011

Committee on Disabilities

Donald Sluter, Chair
Ralph Farrick
Sandra Saunders
Lynn M. Sibley

Franklin County Solid Waste District

Ronnie Williams
Fran Fortino, Alternate

Franklin County Transit Authority

Fred Bardwell

**Whately Waste Management
Committee**

William Obear
Fran Fortino
Gary Lawrence

Municipal Building Committee

Gary Grybko, Chair
Adelia Bardwell
Ralph Farrick
Lynn DiTullio
Virginia Allis
Alan Sanderson, Jr.
Lynn Sibley – Town Administrator

Moderator's Appointments

Finance Committee:

Thomas Mahar, Chair	2012
Gregory Gagnon	2013
Elaine Cooper	2013
Robert Fydenkevez	2012
Roger Kennedy	2013
Maryann Sadoski	2011
Joseph Zewinski	2011

Planning Board:

Donald Sluter, Chair	2012
Fred Bardwell	2013
Julie Sibley	2012
Nicholas Jones	2011
Judy Markland	2012

**Franklin County Technical School
Committee:**

Donald Sluter	2011
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Other Officials

Capital Improvement Planning Committee:

Lynn Sibley, Town Administrator
Jonathan Edwards, Selectmen
Donald Skroski, Superintendent Rep.
Robert Duda, at large
Bruce Tutun, at-large
Roger Kennedy, Finance Committee
Bruce Cleare, Planning Board Rep.

Community Preservation Committee – CPC

Andrew Ostrowski, Conservation Comm	2013
Howard Nenner, Historical Comm	2013
Judy Markland, Planning Board	2011
Catherine Roegge, Housing Rep	2011
Nikki Ciesluk, Recreation Comm	2011
Alan Sanderson, Jr., Chair	2012
Appointed by Selectmen	
Cris Coffin, Selectmen (resigned)	2012
John Devine, Appointed by Selectmen	2012

Personnel Committee:

Paul Newlin - Appt. by Selectmen
Keith Bardwell - Elected by Employees
Jane Grybko - Appt. by Finance Comm.
Patricia Barschenski, Chair - Appt. by Moderator
Janet Korytoski - Appt. by Moderator

Health Agent – Appt. by Board of Health

Jackie Duda

Water Superintendent – Appt. by Water Commissioners:

William Smith

Librarian – Appt. by Library Trustees:

Tiffany Hilton

Emergency Medical Technician Coordinator – Appt. by Fire Chief

Gary Stone

Frontier Regional School Committee – Appt. by Whately School Committee:

Robert Halla

Superintendent of Schools – Appt. by All School Committees

Regina Nash

Principal of Whately Schools – Appt. by Superintendent of Schools

Peter Crisafulli

Transfer Station Attendants:

Alan Thackeray
Lee Felton
Quinton Dawson
Roland Kinsman, alternate

Anyone wishing consideration for an appointment to any committee may contact the Board of Selectmen.

2010 Report of the Board of Selectmen

The Board of Selectmen had a very challenging year in 2010. As we have reported over the last couple of years, finances continue to be a major issue. The State continues to cut the amount of state aid that the town receives, costs continue to rise yet the residents still expect a certain level of services. The Finance Committee and Selectmen were forced to make some cuts in requested budgets for FY11, which in turn required a cut to some services. The Selectmen have tried to take advantage of every revenue source available to them. At the 2010 Annual Town Meeting the voters voted to adopt an increased rooms and meals tax on the recommendation of the Selectmen and Finance Committee.

In 2010 the Selectmen, Finance Committee and Capital Improvement Planning Committee recognized that there is no way that the town can afford to replace equipment and complete major projects with the present funding sources. So in order to gain another revenue stream, they proposed a Capital Stabilization Fund that would be funded by an override. This proposed fund passed town meeting unanimously but when presented for a ballot vote at the Annual Town Election failed to garner enough votes for passage. Because there were only 204 voters at the Town Election the Selectmen felt it was important to get a better percentage of the voters to answer this important question so they brought it back to the voters on the State Election ballot in November. Again it failed to pass and it was clear from this vote that the voters did not want to fund this account with an override. In order to purchase big-ticket items such as highway dump trucks, ambulances and fire trucks it is now apparent that we will have to bring each item to a debt exclusion vote and pay the borrowing costs.

Aside from Financial concerns the Selectmen dealt with other frustrating issues. We had high hopes that the Haydenville Road Bridge would be replaced by fall of 2010. The project was started but the construction company met with problems in creating a cofferdam. This required additional engineering that then delayed the project further. Although it is not a certainty, it is possible that the road will be closed entirely and traffic detoured to Conway Road while the bridge is completed. The Selectmen have asked for help from Representative Kulik, Senator Rosenberg and Congressman Olver to move this project along.

The Haydenville Road Bridge was not the only bridge problem that the board faced. In September the Selectmen were forced to close one of the bridges on Williamsburg Road. This bridge is under the 20' requirement necessary to be placed on the state bridge repair program but is over 10', which requires Mass DOT involvement in the engineering. This will increase the costs to replace the bridge. We have asked Mass DOT district 2 to consider placing not only the closed bridge but also the two other bridges on the bridge repair program. We are still waiting to hear an answer to our request.

Last year we had reported that we were looking forward to entering into an Energy Performance contract with Siemen's Building Technology. The investment grade audit was completed but the proposed project of almost \$300,000 for lighting and building envelope repairs was not cost neutral. The town would have had to come up with \$74,000 in order to proceed with the project, an amount the town does not have. The Selectmen chose not to continue to pursue an energy performance contract but work on simple and less costly improvements a little at a time using volunteers.

We also reported that we would be working on the building consolidation project that would involve major renovations to Town Hall. The Selectmen submitted a proposal to the Community Preservation Committee in December for \$87,000 for design costs, specifications and bidding documents for the renovation of the

building. After conversations with the CPC we decided to reduce the request to \$30,000 for just design costs to make sure that the project design is the right one for the Town. We hope that the CPC looks favorably on our application and that it will be presented to the town at Annual Town Meeting.

The Selectmen are also working with the Town of Williamsburg to come up with a project to repair Haydenville Road. Originally we had intended to work towards obtaining funding for a project from Route 9 in Williamsburg to Chestnut Plain Road in Whately. We have decided to limit Whately's portion of the project from the Williamsburg Town line down to Strippe Road or perhaps the Haydenville Road Bridge. The engineering costs, which the town has to pay upfront, would be overwhelming to do the whole project. The Highway Department will continue to work on Haydenville Road from just east of Masterson Road to Chestnut Plain Road using Chapter 90 funds.

In August, Municipal Secretary Barbara Hancock moved on to the Town of Deerfield to serve as their Assistant Treasurer/Collector. We would like to thank Barbara for her 5 years with us. Her skills, energy, sense of humor and vibrant personality will be greatly missed. In October we welcomed Maryellen Cranston as the new Municipal Secretary. Maryellen comes to us with a great deal of municipal experience and has adapted quickly to this position.

We would like to recognize Fred Bardwell for his 30 years as Cemetery Commissioner. Fred chose not to run for re-election this year. Roland Kinsman also resigned as a Cemetery Commissioner this year when he moved to Bernardston. We appreciate the time and energy both members gave the town. Paul Fleuriel, Jr. was elected to the Commission and Lee Felton was appointed until the next election to fill the vacancy created by Roland Kinsman's resignation.

The Library Trustees saw two new members come on board to replace William Saunders and Joyce Tutun who chose not to run for re-election. We would like to thank Bill and Joyce for their many years of service as Library Trustees and we welcome Kenneth Moulton and Pamela White who were elected to fill the openings at the June 2010 election.

The goals for the Selectmen in 2011 will be to complete the Haydenville Road Bridge project, find answers to the bridge issues on Williamsburg Road and move on to the next step of the Town Hall consolidation/renovation project. As always we will work towards energy conservation for the town and seek grants to help fund projects and major purchases for the town.

In closing, the Selectmen would like to thank all the devoted employees who have committed themselves to the Town of Whately. We would also like to thank the voters, residents and taxpayers for their support. As always, we welcome visitors and comments at our Selectmen's meetings on the 2nd and last Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Please call 665-4400 to be put on our agenda.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul K. Newlin, Chair.

Jonathan S. Edwards

Joyce Palmer Fortune

2010 Annual Report of the Town Clerk

2010 was a busy year in the Town Clerk's Office. It started out in January with the Special Election to fill the vacant Senate seat left by Senator Kennedy. Annual Town Elections were held in June and the State Primary and State Election were held in September and November respectively. Annual Town Meeting was held in April and an overhaul of certain sections of the Zoning Bylaws were brought before the voters. The open space/cluster development section of the bylaw had the most changes. The Planning Board hoped to make cluster developments more attractive to developers who were considering subdivision projects. All bylaws passed as presented.

As in the past, I am working towards preserving the town's records. Over the last five years, funding for this project has been deferred. With passage of the Community Preservation Act, a new line of possible financing has opened up. In December 2010, I submitted a request for \$14,167 to finish the vital records preservation project. This will be a 2 year project and I am hoping that the Community Preservation Committee will look favorably on my request and recommend an article to Town Meeting in April 2011 to fund the first portion of this project.

I continue to look for ways to finance the overhaul of the Town Code which is a compilation of all the town's general bylaws, zoning bylaws, subdivision bylaws, personnel regulations and all other regulations adopted by the town. Our present Code is terribly out of date but funding has not been available to make the appropriate updates.

The 2010 Federal Census took place this year and as Town Clerk I served as the liaison with the Census bureau. Final figures for the town are unavailable as of the date of this report. I expect that the town's population will actually go down from the 2000 census.

In closing, I would like to remind everyone of my hours at the Center School Office building at 218 Chestnut Plain Road as they have changed as of Jan. 1st:

Monday Noon – 7 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

If you have special needs that make visiting my office in the Center School difficult, please call me at 665-0054 and I will make arrangements to meet you in a more accessible location.

The following is a summary of the activities of the Town Clerk's Office for the year 2010. Please see www.whately.org for minutes of all town meetings and elections or contact the Town Clerk's office for copies.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn M. Sibley, Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
17	13	9	16	11	9	12

MARRIAGES

2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
9	7	10	4	6	4	5

DEATHS

2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
15	4	15	12	15	10	11

2010 DOG LICENSES

18	Male Dogs @ \$10.00	\$ 180.00
156	Neutered Male Dogs @ \$5.00	780.00
17	Female Dogs @ \$10.00	170.00
<u>153</u>	Spayed Female Dogs @ \$5.00	<u>765.00</u>
344		\$1,895.00
	Plus Fines Charged for Late Licensing	<u>900.00</u>
	Total Turned Over to Treasurer	\$2,795.00

2010 FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE RETURN

11	Resident Fishing @ \$27.50	302.50
4	Resident Fishing Minor @ \$11.50	46.00
28	Resident Fishing Handicapped – free	--
2	Non- Resident Fishing @ \$37.50	75.00
9	Resident Hunting @ \$27.50	247.50
3	Non Resident Big Game @ \$99.50	298.50
1	Minor Hunting @ \$11.50	11.50
21	Resident Sporting @ \$45.00	945.00
2	Resident Sporting 65-69	50.00
10	Resident Citizen Sporting Over age 70 – free	--
8	Archery Stamp @ \$5.10	40.80
1	Non-Resident Archery Stamp @ \$5.10	5.10
3	Waterfowl Stamp \$5.00	15.00
19	Primitive Firearms Stamp @ \$5.10	96.90
2	Non-Resident Primitive Firearms Stamp @ \$5.10	<u>10.20</u>
	Total	2,144.00
	Additional \$1.00 surcharge per license	<u>50.00</u>
	Amount turned over to Town Treasurer	2,194.00
	 Paid to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts	 <u>2,113.75</u>
	Fees Collected by Town of Whately	80.25

OTHER FEES COLLECTED BY TOWN CLERK

Zoning Board – Appeals	850.00
Planning Board – ANR – Other Filings	925.00
Sale of by-laws and sub-division	31.00
Sale of Street Listing	42.00
Gas Renewal Permits	175.00
Vitals	550.00
Business Certificates	345.00
Miscellaneous	274.25
Raffle	10.00
Copying	3.00
Marijuana Fines	<u>2,100.00</u>

Total Other Fees Paid to	
Town Treasury in Clerk Receipts	\$5,305.25

Board of Assessors

The Board inspected ninety-two homes and businesses during the spring and summer, mostly homes with new growth—renovations, additions, new construction—and those that had sold in the past year. This past year has been a recertification year so we had to work closely with the Department of Revenue. Sales analyses indicated that land values had fallen throughout most of the town so values did, in general, go down for FY 2011. The tax rate was set at \$15.47 per thousand for fiscal year 2011. Town valuation by class is as follows:

Residential	\$173,677,562
Open Space (Ch 61)	1,785,319
Commercial	18,990,886
Industrial	18,522,300
Personal	<u>6,272,687</u>
Total	\$219,248,754

The assessors' office is open Tuesdays from 9 to 5 o'clock, Tuesday evenings 7 to 8:30 and on Wednesdays from 9 to 4. The Board reminds residents that the assessors will be making inspections Tuesday evenings starting in April 2011 and will continue throughout the summer until the evenings are too dark. During the summer the assessors are back in the office shortly before 9 o'clock. From Christmas until the end of March, the Board meets the first and third Tuesdays, although the office is generally open every Tuesday evening.

Katherine E Fleuriel, Chairwoman
Melanie A Chorak
Frederick P.Orloski
Cynthia C.Herbert, Assistant Assessor

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

BANK ACCOUNTS – FY 2010

BANK	BALANCE 7/1/2009	BALANCE 6/30/2010
PEOPLE'S UNITED		
GENERAL CASH	\$ 333,138.69	\$ 382,486.77
SEPTIC PROGRAM	\$ 16,111.35	\$ 16,143.60
HOWARD HOXIE		
GARDEN FUND	\$ 3,577.32	\$ 3,584.39
JAWK, INC.	\$ 15,007.05	\$ 17,232.55
CPA FUND	\$ 0.00	\$ 63,751.79
UNIBANK		
GENERAL CASH	\$ 0.00	\$ 33,832.71
CITIZEN'S BANK		
GENERAL CHECKING	\$ 1,176.88	\$ 1,178.25
BERKSHIRE BANK		
GENERAL FUND	\$ 8,334.07	\$ 8,428.28
SEPTIC/FEE ACCT	\$ 541.74	\$ 547.87
ARTS LOTTERY	\$ 1,003.20	\$ 1,014.55
TRUST FUNDS		
MMDT GENERAL REVENUE	\$ 688,799.06	\$ 776,846.81
MMDT (FROM PAGE 2)	\$ 480,675.93	\$ 433,102.38
CHECKS OUTSTANDING	\$ (112,276.97)	\$ (53,016.91)
PETTY CASH	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
DUE TO CEMETERY:	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
DUE FROM GENERAL FUND:	\$ 0.00	\$ <u>0.00</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	\$1,436,588.32	\$1,685,633.04

TRUST FUNDS

JAMES FILIPKOWSKI MEMORIAL BOOK FUND	\$ 3,970.68
STABILIZATION FUND	\$205,653.26
A/C S. WHITE DICKINSON LIBRARY	\$107,161.81
JOSEPH & JOSIE MAIEWSKI LIBRARY FUND	\$ 2,962.53
BARNARD FUND FBO WHATELY CONG CHURCH	\$ 1,132.82
A/C PAUL F. FIELD LIBRARY	\$ 8,460.08
CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE A/C	\$ 61,670.83
S. WHITE DICKINSON AGED PERS FUND	\$ 8,495.07
A/C DAVENPORT POOR & SCHOOL FUND	\$ 2,838.01
ENA CANE MEMORIAL FUND	\$ 8,073.17
AMBULANCE REPLACEMENT FUND	\$ 142.37
ANNIE C. DANFORTH LIBRARY FUND	\$ 725.04
WHATELY GRANGE MONUMENT FUND	\$ 69.58
ALICE RYAN ROBINSON	\$ 3,482.71
DAMON LIBRARY FUND	\$ 11,577.58
KANDSZ LIBRARY FUND	\$ 1,157.79
SABIN & SOPHIE FILIPKOWSKI	\$ 5,529.05

TOTAL TRUST FUNDS:	\$433,102.38
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REPORT OF THE TOWN COLLECTOR
JULY 1, 2009 - JUNE 30, 2010

YEAR	TYPE OF TAX	COMMITTED 7/1/2009	TAX PAID	ABATEMENTS EXEMPTIONS	REFUNDS	TAX TITLES	OUTSTANDING 6/30/2010
2010	REAL ESTATE	\$3,217,558.95	\$3,128,226.17	\$13,047.27	\$2,572.97	\$10,199.07	\$68,659.41
	COMMUNITY PRES ACT	\$66,207.15	\$64,502.95	\$496.20		\$145.48	\$1,062.52
	PERSONAL PROPERTY	\$92,151.24	\$91,552.47	\$201.19	\$558.35		\$955.93
	MOTOR VEHICLE	\$184,645.07	\$175,961.08	\$1,657.92	\$1,059.06		\$8,085.13
	WATER	\$87,241.70	\$85,153.89	\$36.50			\$2,051.31
	FARM ANIMAL, MACH AND EQUIP EXCISE	\$8,347.35	\$8,347.35				\$0.00
2009	REAL ESTATE	\$91,206.84	\$67,536.49	\$58.05		\$4,207.90	\$19,404.40
	PERSONAL PROPERTY	\$1,482.81	\$362.25				\$1,120.56
	MOTOR VEHICLE	\$50,977.31	\$48,396.73	\$1,989.36	\$1,609.20		\$2,200.42
	WATER	\$1,903.03	\$900.73				\$1,002.30
	FARM ANIMAL, MACH AND EQUIP EXCISE	\$8,108.88	\$8,108.88				\$0.00
2008	REAL ESTATE	\$17,620.02	\$13,443.78			\$4,176.24	\$0.00
	PERSONAL PROPERTY	\$947.64	\$854.42				\$93.22
	MOTOR VEHICLE	\$2,359.30	\$1,701.38				\$657.92
	WATER	\$700.36	\$254.24				\$446.12
2007	PERSONAL PROPERTY	\$579.26	\$388.19	\$191.07			\$0.00
	MOTOR VEHICLE	\$789.69	\$193.33				\$596.36
	WATER	\$177.10					\$177.10
2006	PERSONAL PROPERTY	\$525.82	\$44.59	\$481.23			\$0.00
	MOTOR VEHICLE	\$798.24	\$68.23				\$730.01
2005	PERSONAL PROPERTY	\$228.10		\$228.10			\$0.00
	MOTOR VEHICLE	\$834.17					\$834.17
2004	MOTOR VEHICLE	\$525.62					\$525.62
2003	MOTOR VEHICLE	\$402.31					\$402.31

Town of Whately
FY2010 Year to Date Expense Report
30-Jun-10

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Revisions</u>	<u>Total 2010 Budget</u>	<u>Year to Date Expenses</u>	<u>Balance Remaining</u>	<u>% Used</u>
001-114-5100-000-000-0	108.00	0.00	108.00	107.69	0.31	99.71%
Moderator						
001-122-5100-000-000-0	66,069.00	0.00	66,069.00	65,674.99	394.01	99.40%
Selectboard Salaries						
Finance Committee Expenses	150.00	0.00	150.00	126.00	24.00	84.00%
001-131-5400-000-000-0						
Reserve Fund	20,000.00	-6,139.14	13,860.86	0.00	13,860.86	100.00%
001-132-5400-000-000-0						
Accountant	14,675.00	0.00	14,675.00	13,428.00	1,247.00	91.50%
Accountant Expense	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	100.00%
001-135-5400-000-000-0						
Audit	<u>6,000.00</u>	<u>6,000.00</u>	<u>12,000.00</u>	<u>11,500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>	95.83%
001-135-5800-000-000-0	21,675.00	6,000.00	27,675.00	25,928.00	1,747.00	
Assessor's Expenses	29,358.00	0.00	29,358.00	28,410.27	947.73	96.77%
001-141-5400-000-000-0						
Assessor's Tax Maps	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00%
001-141-5800-000-000-0						
Treasurer's Expenses	40,848.00	0.00	40,848.00	39,069.73	1,778.27	95.65%
Tax Taking Expenses	3,000.00	1,655.39	4,655.39	4,655.39	0.00	100.00%
001-145-5400-000-000-0						
Payroll Preparation	3,116.00	0.00	3,116.00	3,115.57	0.43	99.99%
001-145-5420-000-000-0						
Payroll Software Support	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	100.00%
001-145-5430-000-000-0						
Quarterly Billing	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	100.00%
Conversion	47,964.00	2,655.39	50,619.39	48,840.69	1,778.70	
001-145-5800-000-000-0						

001-151-5400-000-000-0	Legal Expenses	7,500.00	2,021.34	9,521.34	9,521.34	0.00	100.00%
001-161-5400-000-000-0	Clerk's Expenses	20,917.00	0.00	20,917.00	20,847.72	69.28	99.67%
001-161-5410-000-000-0	Town Clerk Education Incent	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	100.00%
001-161-5420-000-000-0	Special Elections F10	<u>0.00</u> 22,917.00	<u>1,448.16</u> 1,448.16	<u>1,448.16</u> 24,365.16	<u>1,448.16</u> 24,295.88	<u>0.00</u> 69.28	
001-171-5400-000-000-0	Conservation Comm	500.00	0.00	500.00	140.00	360.00	28.00%
001-172-5400-000-000-0	Agriculture Protection/Restora	200.00	0.00	200.00	58.69	141.31	29.35%
001-175-5400-000-000-0	Planning Board	1,805.00	0.00	1,805.00	1,200.13	604.87	66.49%
001-176-5400-000-000-0	Zoning Bd of Appeals	1,261.00	0.00	1,261.00	988.20	272.80	78.37%
001-179-5400-000-000-0	CPA Software	0.00	400.00	400.00	0.00	400.00	0.00%
001-192-5400-000-000-0	Town Hall Building	22,100.00	0.00	22,100.00	20,000.15	2,099.85	90.50%
001-192-5410-000-000-0	Garage & Public Safety Bldg	<u>29,000.00</u> 51,100.00	<u>-4,600.00</u> -4,600.00	<u>24,400.00</u> 46,500.00	<u>23,556.61</u> 43,556.76	<u>843.39</u> 2,943.24	96.54%
001-193-5400-000-000-0	Property Insurance	49,514.00	-11,694.36	37,819.64	37,819.64	0.00	100.00%
001-195-5400-000-000-0	Town Report	2,400.00	-1,395.99	1,004.01	1,004.01	0.00	100.00%
001-210-5400-000-000-0	Police Dept Expenses	119,610.00	102.46	119,712.46	119,505.91	206.55	99.83%
001-210-5410-000-000-0	PD Quinn Bill	<u>7,404.00</u> 127,014.00	<u>0.00</u> 102.46	<u>7,404.00</u> 127,116.46	<u>4,335.86</u> 123,841.77	<u>3,068.14</u> 3,274.69	58.56%
001-220-5400-000-000-0	Fire Dept Expenses	41,343.00	0.00	41,343.00	41,263.42	79.58	99.81%
001-220-5800-000-000-0	Fire Dept Roof & Insulation	0.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	0.00	35,000.00	

001-232-5400-000-000-0	Ambulance Expense	23,160.00	0.00	23,160.00	19,256.91	3,903.09	83.15%
001-291-5400-000-000-0	Emergency Management Exp	960.00	0.00	960.00	943.83	16.17	98.32%
001-291-5800-000-000-0	Emergency Mgmt Connect CTY	<u>0.00</u> 960.00	<u>2,200.00</u> 2,200.00	<u>2,200.00</u> 3,160.00	<u>2,200.00</u> 3,143.83	<u>0.00</u> 16.17	100.00%
001-292-5400-000-000-0	Animal Control Officer	2,489.00	0.00	2,489.00	2,035.08	453.92	81.76%
001-293-5400-000-000-0	Animal Inspector	<u>428.00</u> 2,917.00	<u>0.00</u> 0.00	<u>428.00</u> 2,917.00	<u>338.02</u> 2,373.10	<u>89.98</u> 543.90	78.98%
001-294-5400-000-000-0	Tree & Forestry Expenses	6,150.00	0.00	6,150.00	5,046.70	1,103.30	82.06%
001-300-5400-000-000-0	Whately Elementary School	1,455,695.00	81,895.20	1,537,590.20	1,426,738.79	110,851.41	92.79%
001-310-5400-000-000-0	Frontier Regional Operating	844,823.00	0.00	844,823.00	844,823.00	0.00	100.00%
001-310-5410-000-000-0	Frontier Regional Transport	<u>10,287.00</u> 855,110.00	<u>0.00</u> 0.00	<u>10,287.00</u> 855,110.00	<u>10,287.00</u> 855,110.00	<u>0.00</u> 0.00	100.00%
001-320-5400-000-000-0	Franklin Cty Tech School	98,683.00	0.00	98,683.00	95,806.00	2,877.00	97.08%
001-320-5410-000-000-0	Smith Vocational Tuition	<u>17,800.00</u> 116,483.00	<u>14,000.00</u> 14,000.00	<u>31,800.00</u> 130,483.00	<u>30,020.00</u> 125,826.00	<u>1,780.00</u> 4,657.00	94.40%
001-422-5110-000-000-0	Highway Salaries	104,380.00	0.00	104,380.00	103,869.07	510.93	99.51%
001-422-5400-000-000-0	General Highway Exp	67,650.00	0.00	67,650.00	67,650.00	0.00	100.00%
001-422-5410-000-000-0	Road Machinery	20,955.00	0.00	20,955.00	20,769.22	185.78	99.11%
001-422-5420-000-000-0	Garage Maintenance	5,680.00	0.00	5,680.00	5,019.46	660.54	88.37%
001-422-5830-000-000-0	Easements 109 Long Plain	<u>0.00</u> 198,665.00	<u>2,000.00</u> 2,000.00	<u>2,000.00</u> 200,665.00	<u>0.00</u> 197,307.75	<u>2,000.00</u> 3,357.25	
001-423-5400-000-000-0	Winter Roads	113,745.00	-15,000.00	98,745.00	98,384.45	360.55	99.63%
001-430-5400-000-000-0	Solid Waste District	4,140.00	0.00	4,140.00	4,140.00	0.00	100.00%

001-433-5400-000-000-0	Solid Waste Disposal	35,955.00	0.00	35,955.00	33,374.18	2,580.82	92.82%
001-433-5410-000-000-0	Hazardous Waste Collection	<u>800.00</u> 36,755.00	<u>0.00</u> 0.00	<u>800.00</u> 36,755.00	<u>800.00</u> 34,174.18	<u>0.00</u> 2,580.82	100.00%
001-450-5110-000-000-0	Water Department Salaries	24,091.00	0.00	24,091.00	23,484.86	606.14	97.48%
001-450-5400-000-000-0	Water Department Operations	25,970.00	0.00	25,970.00	25,185.85	784.15	96.98%
001-450-5800-000-000-0	Water Department Controls	0.00	8,575.00	8,575.00	8,575.00	0.00	100.00%
001-450-5810-000-000-0	Water 3/4 Ton Pickup Truck	0.00	32,000.00	32,000.00	31,852.13	147.87	
001-450-5820-000-000-0	Water Lightening Protection	0.00	2,641.00	2,641.00	0.00	2,641.00	
001-450-5830-000-000-0	Water Electronic Chlorine	<u>0.00</u> 50,061.00	<u>3,000.00</u> 46,216.00	<u>3,000.00</u> 96,277.00	<u>0.00</u> 89,097.84	<u>3,000.00</u> 7,179.16	
001-491-5400-000-000-0	Cemetery Commission	4,952.00	0.00	4,952.00	4,608.92	343.08	93.07%
001-510-5400-000-000-0	Health Agent	13,476.00	0.00	13,476.00	13,476.00	0.00	100.00%
001-512-5400-000-000-0	Board of Health Expenses	2,373.00	0.00	2,373.00	2,072.97	300.03	87.36%
001-541-5400-000-000-0	Council on Aging Expenses	4,076.00	0.00	4,076.00	4,010.50	65.50	98.39%
001-543-5400-000-000-0	Veterans Services	8,141.00	1,666.32	9,807.32	9,807.32	0.00	100.00%
001-610-5400-000-000-0	Library Expenses	39,762.00	0.00	39,762.00	39,755.19	6.81	99.98%
001-630-5400-000-000-0	Recreation Comm Expenses	4,950.00	0.00	4,950.00	4,902.89	47.11	99.05%
001-630-5410-000-000-0	Tri-Town Beach	<u>4,067.00</u> 9,017.00	<u>0.00</u> 0.00	<u>4,067.00</u> 9,017.00	<u>3,925.28</u> 8,828.17	<u>141.72</u> 188.83	96.52%
001-691-5400-000-000-0	Historical Commission Exp	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00%

001-710-5920-000-000-0	Frontier Bond	74,251.00	0.00	74,251.00	74,251.00	0.00	100.00%
001-710-5930-000-000-0	Elementary School Roof	0.00	65,900.94	65,900.94	65,888.02	12.92	
		74,251.00	65,900.94	140,151.94	140,139.02	12.92	
001-752-5900-000-000-0	Int-Temporary Loans	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	9.69	1,990.31	0.48%
001-820-5631-000-000-0	School Choice	88,806.00	0.00	88,806.00	98,473.00	-9,667.00	110.89%
001-820-5640-000-000-0	Air Pollution District	430.00	0.00	430.00	430.00	0.00	100.00%
001-820-5646-000-000-0	RMV Marking Surchg	1,060.00	0.00	1,060.00	780.00	280.00	73.58%
001-820-5650-000-000-0	Strap Repayment	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	100.00%
001-820-5663-000-000-0	Reg Transit Authority	2,204.00	0.00	2,204.00	2,204.00	0.00	100.00%
		107,500.00	0.00	107,500.00	116,887.00	-9,387.00	
001-830-5400-000-000-0	Fr Reg Council of Govt Assmnt	15,170.00	0.00	15,170.00	14,837.00	333.00	97.80%
001-830-5410-000-000-0	Fr Reg Council of Govt Inspect	44,623.00	0.00	44,623.00	44,623.00	0.00	100.00%
		59,793.00	0.00	59,793.00	59,460.00	333.00	
001-911-5400-000-000-0	Franklin County Retirement	98,948.00	0.00	98,948.00	98,948.00	0.00	100.00%
001-912-5400-000-000-0	Worker's Compensation	19,500.00	0.00	19,500.00	15,570.10	3,929.90	79.85%
001-913-5400-000-000-0	Unemployment Insurance	1,000.00	512.91	1,512.91	1,512.91	0.00	100.00%
001-914-5400-000-000-0	Group Insurance	309,000.00	43,742.19	352,742.19	352,664.03	78.16	99.98%
001-914-5410-000-000-0	Life Insurance	1,400.00	0.00	1,400.00	1,298.38	101.62	92.74%
001-914-5420-000-000-0	Physicals & Tests	750.00	0.00	750.00	750.00	0.00	100.00%
		311,150.00	43,742.19	354,892.19	354,712.41	179.78	
001-916-5400-000-000-0	Town Share of Medi & FICA	20,000.00	180.72	20,180.72	20,180.72	0.00	100.00%
	Totals	4,130,858.00	272,112.14	4,402,970.14	4,203,355.95	199,614.19	95.47%

Town of Whately – Budget Versus Revenue Report
June 30, 2010

	<u>Account</u>	<u>2010 Budget</u>	<u>YTD Revenues</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<u>Taxes</u>				
001-001-4110-000-000-0	Personal Property Taxes	92,151.23	92,643.57	492.34
001-001-4120-000-000-0	Real Estate Taxes	3,181,844.71	3,206,633.75	24,789.04
001-001-4142-000-000-0	Tax Liens Redeemed	0.00	1,730.78	1,730.78
001-001-4146-000-000-0	Rollback Taxes	0.00	10.10	10.10
001-001-4150-000-000-0	Motor Vehicle Excise	161,000.00	223,451.28	62,451.28
001-001-4162-000-000-0	Farm Animal Excise	5,000.00	8,347.35	3,347.35
001-001-4163-000-000-0	Classified Forest Excise	0.00	0.00	0.00
001-001-4165-000-000-0	Water Revenue Received	80,000.00	91,308.86	11,308.86
001-001-4170-000-000-0	Pen & Int on Prop Taxes	10,000.00	17,998.26	7,998.26
001-001-4171-000-000-0	Pen & Int on Excise Taxes	0.00	726.93	726.93
001-001-4173-000-000-0	Pen & Int Tax Title Accounts	0.00	269.22	269.22
001-001-4175-000-000-0	Pen & Int Water Accounts	0.00	318.01	318.01
001-001-4180-000-000-0	Pmts In Lieu of Taxes	3,000.00	3,307.50	307.50
001-001-4195-000-000-0	Abated Motor Vehicle Recov	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Taxes		3,532,995.94	3,646,745.61	113,749.67
Fees-Transfer Station				
001-433-4320-000-000-0	Fees - Transfer Station	20,000.00	25,607.00	5,607.00
Fees - Ambulance				
001-232-4320-000-000-0	Ambulance	25,000.00	39,578.96	14,578.96
Fees				
001-141-4320-000-000-0	Fees-Assessors	0.00	55.00	55.00
001-145-4320-000-000-0	Fees-Treasurer	0.00	0.00	0.00
001-146-4320-000-000-0	Fees-Collector	3,500.00	5,285.60	1,785.60
001-149-4320-000-000-0	Fees-Registry Markings	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
001-161-4320-000-000-0	Fees-Town Clerk	0.00	1,275.50	1,275.50
001-171-4320-000-000-0	Fees-Conservation Comm	0.00	30.00	30.00
001-175-4320-000-000-0	Fees-Planning Board	0.00	425.00	425.00
001-176-4320-000-000-0	Fees-Zoning Board	0.00	124.00	124.00
001-210-4320-000-000-0	Fees-Police	1,500.00	2,669.99	1,169.99
001-220-4320-000-000-0	Fees-Fire Dept	1,000.00	1,830.00	830.00
001-439-4320-000-000-0	Fees-Electronic Disposal	0.00	0.00	0.00
001-512-4320-000-000-0	Fees-Health Board	6,500.00	5,480.00	-1,020.00
Total Fees		12,500.00	18,175.09	5,675.09
Other Charges				
001-001-4360-000-000-0	Rentals	27,000.00	36,992.34	9,992.34
001-001-4380-000-000-0	Other Charges for Service	0.00	0.00	0.00

Total Other Charges		27,000.00	36,992.34	9,992.34
Licenses & Permits				
001-122-4410-000-000-0	Licenses-Liquor	7,000.00	6,855.00	-145.00
001-122-4420-000-000-0	Licenses-Other	0.00	876.04	876.04
001-210-4450-000-000-0	Permits-Police Dept	0.00	650.00	650.00
001-241-4450-000-000-0	Permits-Building Insp	11,000.00	18,263.00	7,263.00
001-243-4450-000-000-0	Permits-Plumbing Insp	6,000.00	6,840.00	840.00
001-245-4450-000-000-0	Permits-Electrical Insp	4,000.00	7,442.00	3,442.00
001-422-4450-000-000-0	Permits- Highway Dept	0.00	125.00	125.00
Total Permits		28,000.00	41,051.04	13,051.04
State Revenue				
001-001-4610-000-000-0	Reimb for Loss of Taxes	21,542.00	21,542.00	0.00
001-001-4613-000-000-0	Veterans Abatements	4,362.00	9,133.00	4,771.00
001-001-4616-000-000-0	Elderly Abatements	8,461.00	0.00	-8,461.00
001-001-4620-000-000-0	School Aid Chapter 70	248,721.00	250,371.00	1,650.00
001-001-4661-000-000-0	Lottery Aid	118,242.00	118,242.00	0.00
001-001-4665-000-000-0	Veterans Benefits	0.00	2,244.00	2,244.00
001-001-4670-000-000-0	Police Career Incentive	635.00	634.00	-1.00
001-001-4680-000-000-0	Other State Revenue	0.00	2,088.00	2,088.00
Total State Revenue		401,963.00	404,254.00	2,291.00
Fines				
001-001-4685-000-000-0	Fines - RMV	45,000.00	41,185.00	-3,815.00
001-001-4771-000-000-0	Fines - District Court	3,000.00	4,820.00	1,820.00
001-001-4775-000-000-0	Marijuana Fines	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Total Fines		48,000.00	47,205.00	-795.00
Other Revenue				
001-001-4815-000-000-0	Sale of Fixed Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00
001-001-4820-000-000-0	Earnings on Investments	8,000.00	5,907.83	-2,092.17
001-001-4840-000-000-0	Miscellaneous Revenue	0.00	23,058.33	23,058.33
001-001-4971-000-000-0	Tr Fr Special Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00
001-001-4973-000-000-0	Tr Fr Capital Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00
001-001-4974-000-000-0	Tr Fr Stabilization	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Other Revenue		43,000.00	63,966.16	20,966.16
	Total Year To Date Revenue	4,138,458.94	4,323,575.20	185,116.26

Town of Whately Special Revenue Report

		<i>Beg Bal</i>	<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenses</i>	<i>Balance</i>
231	Wetlands Protection Fund	5,064.11	455.00	-220.90	5,298.21
232	Dog Revolving Fund	1,000.00	2,970.00	-453.40	3,516.60
235	Recreation Revolving	11,808.18	10,492.00	-9,485.90	12,814.28
236	Library Fees Revolving Fund	530.15	30.00	-125.00	435.15
237	Firewood Revolving	1,250.00	1,500.00	-1,000.00	1,750.00
238	Trench Permit Revolving	50.00	210.00	0.00	260.00
251	Public Hearing Revolving	4,768.65	1,272.50	-4,469.71	1,571.44
253	Sale of Cemetary Lots	11,755.00	875.00	0.00	12,630.00
258	Road Machiner Fund	9,446.68	0.00	0.00	9,446.68
270	PD Yankee Candle Donation	498.86	0.00	0.00	498.86
271	PD - Dare Donations	57.02	0.00	0.00	57.02
272	Cruiser Fees for Details	97.19	0.00	0.00	97.19
274	FD Yankee Candle Donation	63.95	4,000.00	-4,000.00	63.95
276	Cemetary Kandsz Donation	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
277	Ambulance Donations	2,005.58	0.00	-1,497.50	508.08
278	Master Planning Grant	1,834.72	0.00	0.00	1,834.72
279	Strategic Planning Grant	439.47	0.00	0.00	439.47
281	Septic Repair Program	14,090.29	32.25	0.00	14,122.54
282	Library Lions Club Donations	14.07	500.00	-498.78	15.29
283	Library General Donations	947.10	430.00	-59.95	1,317.15
284	Summer Reading Program	262.44	0.00	0.00	262.44
285	Hoxie Memorial Garden Fund	3,577.31	7.07	0.00	3,584.38
286	Non-Resident Circulation	1,338.45	0.00	0.00	1,338.45
287	Div of Medical Assistance	22,549.29	1,356.80	-985.34	22,920.75
289	Insurance Proceeds	15,552.11	0.00	-15,000.00	552.11
291	PEG Access Fund	42,132.59	19,036.95	-11,666.52	49,503.02
292	PEG Access Capital Fund	1,482.17	0.00	-338.00	1,144.17
293	Pager Rebates	1,725.00	0.00	0.00	1,725.00
294	ConCom Escrow	959.15	2,293.50	-1,000.00	2,252.65
295	Cemetary Revolving	0.00	3,075.00	-3,150.00	-75.00
296	Whately Operation Delivery	-326.66	1,376.14	-150.00	899.48
297	Christine Moulton Gift Account	840.00	485.00	-1,235.07	89.93
298	FCSWMD Grant	-221.29	483.78	0.00	262.49
404	Community Policing Grant	25,722.96	0.00	-17,500.76	8,222.20
405	DWI/Speeding Grant	-532.38	0.00	-5,029.21	-5,561.59
406	Police Station Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
407	Gov Highway Safety Grant	531.76	6,010.85	-367.32	6,175.29
408	Emergency Mgmt Grant	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00	0.00
411	FEMA Storm Emergency Funds	2,098.00	0.00	0.00	2,098.00
412	Council on Aging Grant	896.94	2,603.06	-3,030.50	469.50
414	Library State Aid	10,230.56	1,914.31	-2,462.65	9,682.22

415	Cultural Council	4,345.62	4,011.35	-3,391.00	4,965.97
417	Barn Pres. Markland	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
418	Library Mitigation	325.86	0.00	0.00	325.86
419	Failed Septic System Grant	-410.00	0.00	0.00	-410.00
423	MRF Mini Grant	930.76	0.00	0.00	930.76
					26,898.21
501	Circuit Breaker Grant	-21,981.26	51,909.00	-30,732.10	-804.36
502	School Choice	88,695.24	283,726.00	-234,915.86	137,505.38
503	REAP Grant	978.03	27,946.25	-27,603.04	1,321.24
504	Early Literacy Grant - ELI	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
505	SPED Assist	5,896.08	35,265.94	-45,265.26	-4,103.24
506	CCLC Grant	-962.58	962.58	0.00	0.00
507	Grant Funded Teacher Stipends	0.00	1,800.00	-2,300.00	-500.00
508	FB Full Day Kindergarten	0.00	6,742.00	-6,742.00	0.00
509	ARRA Support	0.00	14,192.00	-15,153.00	-961.00
551	After School Tuition	28,425.63	43,414.82	-41,591.75	30,248.70
552	Early Childhood Tuition	3,609.37	21,209.18	-12,200.00	12,618.55
553	School Lunch	-3.35	36,059.52	-39,352.66	-3,296.49
554	Nature's Classroom	2,691.00	2,400.00	-2,788.00	2,303.00
555	Damaged School Books	-0.92	0.00	0.00	-0.92
556	School Building Use	117.58	0.00	0.00	117.58
563	Playground Fund	312.50	0.00	0.00	312.50
567	Yankee Candle Donation	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
568	Adam Quenneville Donation	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
811	Bernard Church Expendable	127.88	4.94	0.00	132.82
812	Davenport School Expendable	2,625.60	12.41	0.00	2,638.01
813	Whately Grange Expendable	19.27	0.31	0.00	19.58
814	Ambulance Replacement Expend	141.74	0.63	0.00	142.37
815	Cemetary Trust Expendable	14,502.26	272.97	-179.40	14,595.83
816	Filipkowski Expendable	4,357.07	18.49	-842.41	3,533.15
817	Dickinson Library Expendable	37,846.24	485.56	-6,169.99	32,161.81
818	Annie Danforth Expendable	272.07	0.00	0.00	272.07
819	J & J Maiewski Expendable	1,949.57	12.96	0.00	1,962.53
820	Paul Field Expendable	6,317.82	45.12	-3,819.68	2,543.26
821	Robinson Trust Expendable	387.50	15.21	0.00	402.71
822	SW Dickinson Aged Expend	3,457.95	37.12	0.00	3,495.07
823	Ena Cane Expendable	8,037.79	0.00	-512.12	7,525.67
830	Stabilization Fund	240,102.40	1,050.86	-35,000.00	206,153.26
850	Barnard Church Non-Exp	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
851	Davenport School Non-Expend	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
852	Whately Grange Non-Expend	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
853	Cemetary Trust Non-Expend	47,075.00	1,150.00	0.00	48,225.00
854	Damon Library Non-Expend	11,527.00	50.58	0.00	11,577.58
855	Kandsz Library Non-Expend	1,152.73	5.06	0.00	1,157.79
856	Dickinson Library Non-Expend	75,000.00	0.00	0.00	75,000.00
857	A Danforth Library Non- Expend	449.80	3.17	0.00	452.97
858	J & J Maiewski Non-Expend	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00

859	Paul Field Non-Expendable	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
860	Robinson Trust Non-Expend	3,080.00	0.00	0.00	3,080.00
861	S.W. Dickinson Aged Non-Expend	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
862	S & S Filipkowski Non-Expend	5,504.89	24.16	0.00	5,529.05
891	Off Duty Police Detail	0.00	30,457.01	-30,457.01	0.00
892	Firearm ID Cards	0.00	1,900.00	-1,900.00	0.00
894	Fire Dept Fees	0.00	295.00	0.00	295.00
895	State Wildlife Permits	-81.00	2,434.00	-2,353.00	0.00
896	Ambulance Intercept	1,375.00	10,842.45	-10,684.73	1,532.72
898	Deputy Collector Fees	12.00	2,509.00	-2,504.00	17.00
231	Wetlands Protection Fund	5,064.11	455.00	-220.90	5,298.21
232	Dog Revolving Fund	1,000.00	2,970.00	-453.40	3,516.60
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2010 WHATELY AMBULANCE REPORT

I am pleased to submit this report of the 2010 activities of the ambulance and it's staff. Whately's ambulance is an Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance and operates at an Intermediate Level, with it's staff of five paramedics , five Intermediates and eight Basic level EMT,s. The ambulance responded to a total of 126 calls that were activated by the emergency 911 system.

The types of emergency calls where an ambulance is needed are;

- Motor vehicle accidents (mva)
- Motorcycle accidents ,both on and off road
- ATV and snowmobile accidents
- Injuries caused by any type of trauma
- Medical calls
- To stand by at fires

Our ambulance also responds to mutual aid calls to our neighboring towns of Hatfield, Sunderland and South Deerfield. In return these neighboring towns also provide coverage to Whately when needed. Because of Whately's location we are fortunate enough to be located within a short distance of two local hospitals. Also because of our close proximity to these hospitals, we are able to have the choice of a Paramedic intercept ambulance for the more critical calls come from either Northampton Fire Dept. or Baystate Health Ambulance from Greenfield. With a major highway going through the center of our town, we can be on the highway relatively quick, to transport a patient to a level 1 trauma center (Baystate Medical Center) in Springfield.

Whately's ambulance is one of five ambulances in Franklin County that is on the states task force team which means that this team can be called to respond to any incidence within the entire state when multiple ambulances are required.

In 2010 we purchased our first laptop computer to carry on the ambulance to electronically record the run report with all pertinent patient data, and it will soon be inservice on the ambulance. The state now requires that all patient data be sent to Boston within two weeks of any call. Our town secretary now has to enter all of this information manually, but when the new laptop becomes in service it will reduce the workload.

Our current ambulance is a 2001 and the state requires it to be replaced every ten years. It is now on the town's capital planning schedule. Something that we need to start thinking about.

All emergency medical personnel spend numerous hours of training to maintain their certifications. The state requires that an EMT must attend twenty eight hours of continuing education classes and attend a twenty four hour DOT refresher class every two years, as well as recertify for CPR and Defibrillator qualifications every year, to maintain their EMT status. All of this training is the soul responsibility of the individual EMT, and for all of this along with dropping whatever they are doing at the time to respond to an emergency in the town of Whately, they deserve a special thanks.

Again, I would like to thank our fire department and police department personnel for assistance when needed for Ambulance calls which required either traffic control or lift assist, etc.

The following is a list of Whately EMTs who responded to at least one Medical Emergency during 2010.

Gary Stone
John Hannum
Jason Dorval
James Bernier
John P. Kennedy
Brenda Clemons
Matt Marchand
Georgeann Dufault
Robert Grant

Robert Engelhardt
Jason Clemons
Ken Handfield
Greg Gagnon
Wendy Bardwell
Randall Williams
John Dubois
Alexander Ross
Michael Herbert

I would like to stress the point that if you feel that you might need an Ambulance, Please call 911 as soon as possible, it could mean the difference between life and death or the difference between a long stay versus a short visit in a Medical Facility.

Whately ambulance service is always looking for new recruits who are over the age of 18 and interested in helping your fellow neighbors in a time of need. If this is you, Please contact Gary Stone at gstone@gwprecision.com or any one of the above EMTs for information.

We currently have two of our firefighters in the EMT class at GCC, but we welcome anyone else who is willing to take the class and become an EMT.

If you have any questions regarding billing, you should contact Lynn Sibley, the Whately Town Administrator at 665-0054 during normal business hours. All other questions regarding the Ambulance Service, you can contact myself at 413-634-8460, or e-mail gstone@gwprecision.com.

In case of an emergency PLEASE call 911 as soon as possible and clearly state your emergency, your name and address, as well as your house number. Make sure your house number is visible from the street so that your house can be found quickly. SECONDS COULD MEAN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH!!!

Respectfully Submitted
Gary Stone
Whately Ambulance Director

Animal Control Officer's Report

The Animal Control Officer received 115 calls for service this year. Again, most calls were for stray or missing dogs. Please follow the state leash law, which states all dogs must be under control of their owner at all times. Also, there has been a large increase in sick wildlife. Please be careful when letting pets out or children out to play. Children should be advised not to go near wild or stray animals. The breakdown of calls received is as follows:

Stray dog	51	Dog put to sleep	1
Missing dog	4	Police assists	1
Dog killing poultry	5	Dogs kenneled	1
Aggressive dog	6	Bear	5
Dog bite	2	Raccoon	6
Injured dog	3	Porcupine	2
Animals in distress	3	Sick muskrat	1
Goat loose	1	Fox	2
Cows loose	3	Coyote	3
Missing cat	1	Sick skunks	4
Dogs returned to owners	9	Sick woodchuck	1

Animal Inspector's Report

The Animal Inspector issued 6 quarantines; 2 for dog bites and 3 for cats with wounds of unknown origin and 1 for Alpaca exposed to possible rabid muskrat. I also did 4 inspections of animals imported from out-of-state. The barn inspections were done and the results are as follows:

Dairy cattle	72	Horses/ponies	39
Beef cattle	110	Chickens	328
Oxen	12	Turkeys	3
Goats	33	Water fowl	34
Sheep	10	Rabbits	2
Swine	8	Pea fowl	6
Llamas/alpacas	68	Game bird	8

If I missed you for a barn inspection, please contact me at 665-8027. The state relies on this information in developing and implementing a response plan to an emergency.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Adamcek
Animal Inspector

2010 Emergency Management Report

Emergency preparedness remains a top priority for local, regional, state and federal officials. Work continues on updating the various plans and reports required under Homeland Security, Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Emergency Management personnel worked with the Board of Health on the first drive-thru flu clinic. This clinic was a joint effort with the Boards of Health in Deerfield, Conway and Sunderland and flu vaccine was provided by Mass. Dept. of Public Health. These flu clinics are used as a training and planning platform for the Boards of Health to prepare for a pandemic event. Realizing that the traditional flu clinic brought people who may be contagious in contact with one another, we decided to try a drive-thru clinic in order to keep people from exposing one another to possible contagious diseases. We feel that this clinic was very successful.

The Town now has an emergency trailer thanks to a \$5,000 loss control grant provided by Mass. Interlocal Insurance Agency. The Emergency Management budget and the Highway Department budget supplemented the purchase of this trailer which cost \$5,800. The trailer is designed to respond to many types of emergencies and is stocked with barriers, traffic cones, shovels, racks, speedy dry and other emergency products and can carry the towns chain saws and other hand tools needed in an emergency.

Plans continue to be updated as required by various state agencies. We are also working on updating the towns Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan with the assistance of staff from the Franklin Regional Council of Governments. All emergency personnel continue to take training in Incident Command as required under Homeland Security.

Our new emergency notification system continues to be a valuable tool in notifying residents, employees and businesses of the status of emergencies in town. Although the main purpose of this system is to supply emergency information, the system has also been used for more routine matters such as reminders of meetings, elections or tax payment due dates. If you have not received a notification and wish to be included in the phone list, you may do so at whately.org or you may call the dedicated line set up for this system at 665-0300.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Sibley
Emergency Management Director

**WHATELY FIRE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT 2010**

The officers and members of The Whately Fire Department continue to proudly serve and represent the citizens of our great community. In 2010 the Whately Fire Dept. responded to 74 emergencies. The types of calls included emergency medical services, motor vehicle accidents, rescues, and even fires. Whately suffered three critical emergencies in 2010 involving a major hazardous materials spill, a total destruction structure fire and a devastating motor vehicle accident. Tri State Fire Mutual Aid which assists our neighboring communities as well as Whately is a valuable system that benefits everyone. There is an endless list of resources available in an every emergency situation.

31% of our emergencies calls were to support and assist the Whately Ambulance and 21% of our total calls were involving the interstate. Motor vehicle accidents, rescues, and assistance through manpower continue to be the majority of our emergencies. I would like to thank the officers and members with a well done while representing the town in a professional manner. All members are listed below, the* indicating certification as an Emergency Medical Technician.

DC Keith Bardwell	DC Gary Stone *	Capt. Wayne Hutkoski
Lt Donald Dufault	Lt Chris Sibley	Lt Jason Clemons *
Jason Dorval *	Jeffrey LaValley	William Gagnon
Randy Sibley	Peter Hannum	Matt Marchand *
James Bernier *	John Hannum III	Joshua Clemons
Gregory Gagnon *	Scott Hutkoski	J P Kennedy *
John LaSalle	William Smith	John Talmage
Charlie Tenanas	Mary Baronas *	Brenda Clemons *
John DuBois *	Ken Handfield *	Georgeann Dufault *
Brandon Stacy	Alex Ross *	Chris Sullivan
Dwaine Meehan	Alan Belden	Jason Antosh

The Whately Firefighters Association deserves special thanks as they continue to support the officers and members of the Department in numerous ways. I would also like to thank anyone who has helped the Fire Department or any of its members in any way.

Franklin County changed the procedure to issue Burning Permits; Whately is part of this new system. The new system is electronically operated and managed on the internet. In 2011 this system remains as in the past. The internet site fcburnpermits.com is user friendly. Again Burning Season opens January 15 and closes May 1 each year. Hazardous weather conditions may shorten the season so don't procrastinate, open burning should be completed early in the season.

The Whately Fire Department is always searching for interested citizens that would like to become involved with any aspect of the Department. In special need are Emergency Medical Technicians of any level of certification. If anyone would like to join or has any questions about the Department please contact either myself (JSHannum@comcast.net) or one of my officers.

I would like to warn all internet users about postings. Please be careful of what you post and consider the impact of the posting! I see pictures posted on numerous sites that are questionable and sometimes they cross the line. This warning is for all postings but especially the ones for emergency scenes. Please remember there are always privacy issues and there could be a future investigation regarding your pictures.

I would like to remind everyone to dial 911 to report a fire or emergency. Please be clear and concise with your message. Also answer all the questions that the dispatcher asks and stay on the line as long as necessary. For any other fire department related communications the Dispatch Center business number is 625-8200.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief John S. Hannum
Whately Fire Department

REPORT OF THE HAZARDOUS WASTE COORDINATOR

The annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Day, coordinated by the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District (FCSWMD), was held on Saturday September 25, 2010 from 9 AM to noon at Greenfield Community College and the Orange transfer station. 258 households participated in the collection. 8 Whately households were among the participants and delivered for safe disposal an estimated 140 gallons of hazardous materials. Whately's cost for HHW disposal services was \$566.

The next HHW Collection Day will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2011. Contact the FCSWMD for pre-registration details beginning in August - by phone 772-2438 or email info@franklincountywastedistrict.org.

All residents are encouraged to utilize year-round the Hazardous Waste facilities established by the FCSWMD at the transfer stations of Bernardston, Colrain and Conway. Whately residents will most likely use the Conway site located off Old Cricket Hill Rd. The wastes accepted at these facilities include mercury thermometers, waste oil products such as used motor oil, hydraulic oil, gear oil etc., oil based paints, oil filters, antifreeze. Additional information about these disposal sites (dates and hours of operation etc.) is posted on the bulletin board at the transfer station as well as the FCSWMD website:
<http://www.franklincountywastedistrict.org/supersites.html>

Rechargeable batteries, button batteries, and fluorescent light bulbs are recycled at the Whately transfer station. All alkaline batteries (such as Duracell, Energizer etc.) should be separated from household trash and given to the transfer station attendant for proper landfill disposal. These batteries are not recyclable and should not be burned in the Springfield incinerator where Whately's residual trash is disposed of.

Questions concerning the proper disposal of and alternatives to hazardous materials can be directed to either your Hazardous Waste Coordinator (665-2894) or the FCSWMD (772-2438).

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Obear
Hazardous Waste Coordinator

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FOOTHILLS HEALTH AGENT WHATELY

It has been another great year working in Whately. During 2010 I witnessed 12 perc tests and 10 Title V inspections; I issued 18 new septic system permits, and inspected 20 new septic systems. Ten inspections or reinspection of food establishments were done. Housing and nuisance complaints resulted in 12 inspections or investigations. I performed 3 public pool inspections and 2 inspections/reinspections at a family campground. Three well permits and 1 beaver removal permit was issued in 2010. A total of \$5425 was collected in fees.

The Department of Public Health created new regulations affecting public beaches, requiring beach operators to post information at the beach about water testing, and to be permitted by the local Board of Health. Under this regulation, the Tri-Town Beach is issued an annual bathing permit and monitored by the Board.

I was fortunate to be chosen to attend an in-depth training on the role of the Board of Health and me in the aftermath of a natural disaster, and I also received advanced training on housing inspections and pool operation and inspection.

I am happy to report that only 1 new case of Lyme disease in Whately was reported to me by the Department of Public Health in 2010. This is a significant decrease over the previous years. Continue to take precautions against ticks, and monitor yourself, your children, and your pets for the presence of ticks after being outdoors.

I may be reached at 268-8404. In-person help must be scheduled in advance. Written messages or mail should be directed to me at PO 447 Haydenville, MA 01039.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Duda
Health Agent
Foothills Health District

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

The winter began with little snow allowing the frost to settle in. Then in January we had a large rain storm which caused many fields and streams to flood. This then caused roads to flood since the land was unable to absorb it. Long Plain Rd. in the area of the school remains a problem area as there was some property damage. There is no simple fix to this problem. Without the funding to have an engineering firm look into all of the options this will continue to be an issue.

All roads were swept during the spring cleanup along with catch basin cleaning. Claverack Rd., Westbrook Rd., LaSalle Dr. and South Long Plain were prepared and then chip sealed.

We are working along with the American Rivers and The Nature Conservancy to have the culvert replaced on Conway Rd. that carries Jimmy Nolan Brook. This brook dumps into Westbrook and has been involved in the salmon and trout studies for 10 years. The American Rivers org. is securing the funding so that there is little cost to the town. To date mostly staff time is all that has been provided.

The bridge replacement on Haydenville Rd. over Westbrook Rd. began in September after a long wait. The project came to a halt shortly after as the contractor was unable to drive the necessary sheet piling due to unforeseen large boulders. Presently negotiations are ongoing with Ma. DOT, DEP, and the Army Corp. of Engineers to see if the contractor will be allowed to work earlier than the current permit allowance of June 1st. It is hoped that by starting earlier it will allow the project to be completed during the summer of 2011 so that we do not have to go through another winter with one lane traffic. Also it is unclear if the bridge will be totally closed or the continuance of the current lights.

Last year the selectmen from Whately and Williamsburg began discussing the possibilities of jointly applying for state money to rebuild Haydenville Rd. / Mountain Street. We now feel that this project will be too costly for the town to pay for so it has been scaled back and the section from the intersection of Chestnut Pl. westerly for approximately 6,000 feet will be done by ourselves. We are still looking into the possibilities of applying for state money for the section from Webber Rd to the town line.

As for our equipment, things continue to age. We have three full sized dump trucks. A 1997, 2000, and 2002. The projected life on them is 15 yrs. In ideal conditions we should be replacing one every five years however with the economy such that it is; I'm not sure when replacement will happen. We have reached the point where a lot of money is being spent on items that are not the normal wear and tear items.

We continue to offer free delivery of wood chips along with the sale of cordwood which goes towards the purchase of new trees. If anyone has any questions I can be reached at 665-2983

Respectfully submitted,

Keith Bardwell
Highway Superintendent

Police Department Report 2010

2010 was a financially trying year for the police department. State grant funds, which were previously used for training and equipment, have been completely eliminated. As a result, training has been reduced to what is minimally required for officers to maintain certifications and stay up to date on qualifications. Much of this training is done via the internet and is often done on the officer's own personal time. Also, community programs have been reduced due to lack of funding. Although there will be no grant funding for 2011, officers are still committed to the professionalism and level of service that is required of them.

Many residents have been asking about the status of our police cruisers. Although we currently have three cruisers, only one is in service. The two other cruisers have too many mechanical and safety issues to remain in service, and the cost of repair is just not feasible. There is discussion and plans being made for their removal. Our department employs nine police officers who patrol a sizable geographic area two shifts per day seven days a week. I feel it is unrealistic to think having one police cruiser is suitable for our operations. It is unknown at this time if funding will be provided for a second cruiser this year or not.

On a more positive note, we have completed exterior renovations to the police station. Most have seen the new paint job and police sign on the building, and have expressed great satisfaction as to the outcome. Thanks again to Sue Monahan, and all the hard working volunteers who organize and put on the Whately Police Triathlon, which raised the money to pay for the paint and the sign, as well as the installation of our new central air conditioning unit. Also a special thank you is in order for the Franklin County House of Corrections who provided the inmates which prepared and painted the entire building at no cost to the town. They also put up the new sign on the police station. They did an excellent job and took great pride in this project. In addition to the outside renovations, and thanks to a generous donation from Yankee Candle, we are completing work on the inside of the station as well. Work is being done to complete our training room, evidence room, storage, interview room, and other small projects.

On behalf of all of us in the Whately Police Department, we are grateful for all of the support and generosity that has been given to us. It is this support that brings communities like ours together and helps us stay committed to getting through these hard times together. Have a safe 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief James A. Sevigne Jr.

Police Department Report 2010

Activity Report 2008, 2009, 2010

	2008	2009	2010
Abduction	0	0	0
Abuse Prevention Orders	5	4	2
Accident – Motor Vehicle	62	44	44
Alcohol/Drug Violation	11	10	12
Animal Complaints	27	28	21
Arrests (Including Motor Vehicle)	31	32	49
Assault & Battery	8	6	7
Assist Ambulance	53	61	75
Assist Fire Department	38	47	43
Breaking & Entering	4	19	7
Disturbance	11	6	7
Domestic Problem	12	7	10
Harassment	5	4	4
Homicide (Motor Vehicle)	0	0	0
Indecent Exposure	0	0	0
Intrusion Alarm	84	76	77
Identity Theft	4	3	2
Larceny	15	22	21
Property damage/vandalism	8	13	10
Missing Person	2	2	1
Motor Vehicle Charges	415	626	602
Of those the following were issued			
Civil Fines Issued	209	336	306
Written Warnings Issued	206	290	219
Protective Custody	4	2	0
Robbery	0	0	0
Suspicious Activity	7	3	3
Suspicious Person	6	4	13
Suspicious Vehicle	16	12	12
Trespass	3	4	5
Unattended Death	2	1	0
Unwanted Person	5	8	5

REPORT OF THE SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

In calendar year 2010, 117.87 tons of paper, glass, cans, and plastic containers were collected at the Whately Transfer Station and sent to the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility (MRF). 145.12 tons of residual waste was disposed of at the Springfield incinerator.

Two Clean Sweep or Bulky Waste days were held at the transfer station this year, the first on May 8, 2010 and the second on October 16, 2010. Both bulky waste days were coordinated by the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District (FCSWMD) and staffed by Whately volunteers. We'd like to thank Montserrat Archbald, Chris Boutwell (Montague), Vic Covaleski, Caroline Gear, Larry Kutner, Dana Robinson, Ronnie Williams and Clint Labato from the Town staff for their help.

These Bulky Waste collections provided for the recycling and disposal of a number of hard to manage wastes that included tires, scrap metal, appliances, TV's, computers and other electronics, construction and demolition materials (C&D) as well as bulky household items such as broken furniture, old carpets and mattresses. Modest fees were charged for most items to cover recycling and disposal costs. In addition to Whately residents, people from other FCSWMD communities participated in both bulky waste collections. For both collections Whately residents recycled an estimated 2.81 tons of appliances and scrap metal, 3.17 tons of TV's and electronics, and 1.06 tons of tires. In addition, an estimated 6.65 tons of C&D and bulky items were disposed of at a landfill.

A total of 142.22 tons of waste materials were recycled by Whately residents in calendar year 2010 which includes the items recycled at the MRF, the bulky items recycled, approximately 2 tons of clothing collected and recycled by Salvation Army, an estimated 12 tons of food waste collected at both the transfer station and elementary school and 3.31 tons of books collected by Got Books. A total of 151.77 tons of residual and bulky wastes were disposed of at the incinerator or landfill. These recycling and disposal numbers resulted in a calendar year 2010 recycling rate of 48.38%.

The Town's recycling program in calendar year 2010 resulted in a net recycling savings of \$8,663. This figure includes \$4,585 in recycling income from the Springfield MRF operator. The total solid waste disposal cost for 2010 was \$34,213. Revenue from the sale of Whately trash bags was \$25,938. Total 2010 solid waste revenue was \$30,523 including the MRF recycling revenue.

Once again the Solid Waste Committee thanks Alan Thackeray (now backup), Lee Felton (our Saturday transfer station attendant) and our new Tuesday afternoon transfer station attendant Quint Dawson for their dedicated service, pleasant attitudes and general helpfulness that makes the operation of Whately's transfer station extremely efficient and cost effective. We also want to thank Ethan Dickinson for his role in the success of the transfer station operation by hauling the food waste to Bear Path Farm and delivering the Whately Elementary School's paper and containers to the transfer station for recycling.

For current information on solid waste disposal options, we encourage you to look at the FCSWMD website, www.franklincountywastedistrict.org or contact the Whately Solid Waste Committee at 665-4561.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fran Fortino, Gary Lawrence, Bill Obear
Whately Solid Waste Committee

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

This year was the first year that the entire budget wasn't used up by outside contracting to remove dead and stressed trees. Fifteen Elm trees were planted through out the town. With the town now selling cord wood and that money goes toward the purchase of new trees we hopefully can plant more trees than we cut in a year.

Deicing chemicals continue to stress Sugar Maples and they are not recommended to be replanted in the tree belt of the roadway because of this. Other species of trees that are more resistant to salt are recommended.

Other than Dutch Elm Resistant trees being replanted, I hope to begin replanting some Chestnut trees in the future. The trees have been backcross-bred to come up with a blight resistant tree.

If anyone has any questions or concerns about the trees along the roadways call me at 665-2983. We continue to take in Christmas trees afterwards to be chipped. The town will also deliver wood chips to any resident.

Respectfully Submitted,

Keith Bardwell
Tree Warden

Water Department

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2010

This year's consumption was significantly higher than the previous year rising nearly 12%. The long, protracted dry spell of the summer caused consumption to rise by 3.5 million gallons.

The table below shows the monthly consumption figures:

January	1,735,301
February	1,850,439
March	2,055,739
April	2,709,590
May	3,738,716
June	3,558,300
July	3,933,589
August	3,878,214
September	3,444,356
October	2,631,567
November	1,774,394
December	<u>1,801,335</u>
	33,111,540

The revenue generated from water rates and fees was \$99,844.85

Work continues on upgrades to the system as part of a phased capital plan. The Commissioners would like to thank the citizens for their continued support in our upgrade efforts.

Meetings of the Water Commission are now on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 P.M. in the basement office of the Center School. We can be reached at 665-3080.

Respectfully submitted

GeorgeAnne Dufault, Chairman

George Bucala Dufault

Paul Fleuriel

WHATELY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION REPORT

The Whately Agricultural Commission worked on a variety of projects in 2010. Perhaps the Commission's most important activity in the spring of 2010 was our active support of the revised innovative zoning changes that were ultimately approved at the annual town meeting in April. These zoning changes, which members of the Agricultural Commission worked closely with the ad hoc Zoning Task Force committee to develop, will have a positive impact upon farmland and open space preservation. The Agricultural Commission is appreciative of the overwhelming support for these zoning changes at town meeting.

On Saturday March 13th, the Agricultural Commission sponsored a farm informational meeting to acquaint Whately's landowners and farming community with the activities of the Agricultural Commission and to provide a brief overview of farmland protection strategies. Nathan L'Etoile, Assistant Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources, summarized state programs that temporarily protect farmland, forestland and open space (Chapters 61, 61A, 61B), as well as the Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR) program that pays landowners to permanently protect their farmland. There were also discussions of the proposed changes to Whately's zoning regulations to encourage farmland and open space protection, as well as USDA programs and CISA activities. A survey of Whately's farms was included in the announcement for this meeting.

The Commission, along with other town committees and boards, prepared for the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) a set of priorities and objectives for the next five years. This information will be used by the CPC in preparing a Community Preservation plan for Whately.

Other activities included:

- Meeting with the Conservation Commission to discuss mutual concerns and interests including jointly hosting (in March 2011) a wetlands informational meeting for farmers
- Attending to a grievance between an abutting landowner and a farm operator
- Reviewing and supporting three new APR applications for Whately farmland
- Compiling data from the survey of Whately Farms
- Applying to the Community Preservation Committee for Town matching funds for the Maiewski & Helstowski APR projects

The following Disclosure Notification (Section 4 of the Whately Right To Farm By-Law) is required to be published by the Town of Whately on an annual basis in the town report

DISCLOSURE NOTIFICATION

"It is the policy of this community to conserve, protect and encourage the maintenance and improvement of agricultural land for the production of food, and other agricultural products, and also for its natural and ecological value. This disclosure notification is to inform landowners and occupants of the Town of Whately that the property they own or occupy lies within a town where farming activities occur. Such farming activities may include, but not limited to, activities that cause noise, dust and odors. Landowners and occupants are also informed that the location of their property may be impacted by commercial agricultural operations by existing right of ways or rental agreements already in place for such property under certain circumstances."

Members of the Agricultural Commission:

David Chamutka	Margaret Christie
John Devine	Timothy Nourse (Chair)
William Obear	

2010 Capital Improvement Planning Committee Report

Established in 1995, the Capital Improvement Planning Committee (CIPC) is responsible for long range planning for capital projects ensuring adequate funding on an ongoing basis. The CIPC studies the need for proposed capital projects and improvements and makes recommendations on the priority of each proposed item. The CIPC also considers the relative impact, timing and cost of these expenditures and the effect each will have on the financial position of the town.

A five-year plan has been developed by the Committee and is updated each year based on changing needs of town departments. In 2010 the Capital Improvement Planning Committee recognized that given the financial condition of the Town and the State we were not going to be able to fund items on the capital plan for the foreseeable future without an additional revenue stream. The CIPC along with the Selectmen and Finance Committee recommended establishing a Capital Stabilization Fund, which would be funded by an override of \$60,000. This fund would serve as a savings account that would allow the town to plan for future capital purchases more easily. The Capital Stabilization Fund would have built up over a few years in order to purchase large ticket items without having to borrow and pay interest. The vote passed unanimously at Town Meeting but did not pass the necessary ballot vote that was brought to the Annual Town Election and again to the November election. Without funding availability, the town will have to bring each item to a debt exclusion vote, which will in turn require borrowing and the payment of interest.

In 2010 the CIPC recommended funding the following items for FY2011. However, because the Capital Stabilization Fund did not pass, the only project that was completed was the Fire Station Roof replacement which became critical when the roof started to leak in multiple spots. This money was taken from the regular Stabilization fund. The CIPC would like to recommend replenishing this fund if possible.

1. Fire Station Roof replacement \$25,000
2. Town Hall scrape and prime \$5,000 – (Complete renovation project planned in 2012)
3. Replace 2004 Police Cruiser \$30,000
4. Stabilization Fund \$20,000 earmarked for ambulance replacement

FY 2012 brings new challenges to the Capital Improvement Planning Committee. Over the past three years, many projects have been pushed forward on the plan resulting in a large number of projects on this year's list. The CIPC met and prioritized the following projects that they are recommending to the Finance Committee for funding.

1. Fire Panel for the Elementary School - \$5,000
2. Replace 2004 Police Cruiser - \$30,000
3. Town Hall scrape and paint - \$5,000 (Franklin County Sheriff's Department to do the work.)
4. Dump Truck for Highway Department - \$130,000
5. Ambulance Replacement - \$165,000

The Capital Planning Committee also recognizes that the debt excluded third and final year payment for the elementary school roof of \$64,752 will also need to be funded this year. These suggestions will be submitted to the Finance Committee. It is still too early in the budget season to know which of these projects will be approved by the Finance Committee for funding either with available funds or a debt exclusion.

Respectfully submitted,

Capital Improvement Planning Committee

Dan Kennedy, Chair
Jonathan Edwards

Bruce Cleare
Bruce Tutun

Donald Skroski
Robert Duda

2010 Cemetery Commissioners' Report

This report will begin with a well earned thank you to Fred and Adelia Bardwell for a lengthy stewardship of our three town cemeteries. Fred felt it was a timely move and Paul Fleurial ran for his position. Shortly after, Roland Kinsman relocated to their farm in Bernardston. The Select Board appointed Lee Felton to fill that unexpired term. Alan Thackery has been working on the grounds maintenance for a period of time. He has indicated he would like to step down from that to spend more time with his family. A well earned thank you.

We are presently establishing an office at the Center School building below the Select Board's office. Meetings are scheduled as needed with the required public notice.

Fred Oakley has provided excellent guidance and it is our intention to follow up with his suggestions. The Historical Committee along with other volunteers held several work bees. We are presently compiling a list of needs in each of the three cemeteries. One of the early projects was to install a frost free yard hydrant for water at the cemetery and working on the stone markers, which included cleaning, repairing and resetting stones that needed attention. This will continue during suitable weather. At town meeting this year, there will be an article to increase our lot fee from \$500 to \$550.

We had five burials at the Center Cemetery. We are looking for any persons interested in joining our group of restoration volunteers. Please do not feel you need to have prior experience. Our O.J.T. is ongoing.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Fleurial
Peter Hannum
Lee Felton

2010 Conservation Commission Annual Report

The Conservation Commission is charged with implementing the state's Wetlands Protection Act using regulations written by the MA Department of Environmental Protection.

Over the course of the past year the Commission considered and issued seven Determinations of Applicability (determinations as to whether or not a wetlands permit is required), reviewed four Notices of Intent and issued three Orders of Conditions (wetland permits). Two Certificates of Compliance were issued. It took action four instances to ensure compliance with Orders of Conditions and address work being done without necessary permits. The Commission also addressed numerous questions from residents about the wetland regulations and the permitting process. In 2010 the Commission voted to endorse three applications for the MA Agricultural Restrictions Program.

This past year Terry Reynolds resigned from the Commission after six years of service. Terry's expertise and experience, as well as his knowledge of the regulations, were a tremendous asset to the Commission. The Commission extends its heart-felt thanks to Terry for his service to the Commission and the Town of Whately. In December, 2010, Montserrat Archbald of Westbrook Road was appointed to the Commission to fill the seat vacated by Terry. Welcome Monty!

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Jackson, Chair
Terry Reynolds
Pat Devine
Andrew Ostrowski
George Owens
Montserrat Archbald

REPORT OF THE ENERGY COMMITTEE – 2010

Last year the Energy Committee had reported that the town was in the process of developing an Energy Performance Contract with Siemen's Technology. We did receive a grant for an Owner's Agent to help us develop this contract. Under an energy performance contract, the contracted company Siemen's Technology would upfront costs related to energy improvements and the town would pay back those costs through the savings that resulted from the improvements. Last year at this time we were awaiting the Investment Grade Audit from Siemen's along with a proposed project. The project that Siemen's proposed was not a cost neutral project. The town would have had to come up with \$78,000 towards the project and that was an amount the town does not have. The grant that we had applied for to help towards energy improvements was not funded. Had we received this grant we may have been able to use the money to fund the towns portion of the Energy Performance Contract. Because of the lack of funding, the Selectmen and Energy Committee reviewed the proposal and decided not to participate in the energy performance contract.

However, the audits performed at no cost to the town identifies improvements that the town could make to save energy costs. The energy committee has completed some of these improvements. Energy Committee members, Lynn DiTullio and Nat Fortune worked at sealing up some of the old air ducts in the Center School Offices. Lynn DiTullio received quotes for interior storm windows that could be installed at the Center School. The Whately Historical Society voted to put \$1,000 towards the purchase of these interior storms. In October, Town Meeting voted an additional \$1,200 so that this project could take place. In November, Lynn DiTullio, Nicholas Jones and Richard Spencer installed the storm windows and we have noticed an improvement in the drafts. The interior storms can be removed in the summer to allow the windows to be opened. We would like to thank everyone involved in these improvements.

The Energy Committee will be looking for its next project which will possibly be adding additional insulation in the attic of the Center School building. The Selectmen have chosen to seek Green Community status for the town and the Energy Committee will be involved in this project as well.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn DiTullio
Nathanael Fortune
Jonathan Edwards
Gary Grybko
Lynn Sibley

Whately Historical Commission Annual Report for 2010

In 2010, the commission spent much of its time on Community Preservation Act related activities. We produced a list of priorities and criteria for the Community Preservation Committee which they adopted to evaluate CPA funding requests that concern historic preservation.

Our recommendations were based largely on the results of the Heritage Landscape Inventory project which was described in last year's report. Our priorities for CPA funding include the preservation of historic structures and landscapes, investment in documenting the town's historic resources, the improvement of archival preservation of both the town's official records as well as the collections of the Whately Historical Society and projects that increase public awareness of the town's historic areas and structures.

During the last year, we have been working with faculty at Smith College's Landscape Architecture program to encourage student interns to help us with historic preservation projects. We have seen our groundwork pay off. This summer, we expect to have two students, funded by the college, who will be working on several historic preservation projects in our town.

The Commission is still seeking nominations, including self-nominations, for the Historic Preservation award for this year. To be eligible for an award, the commission looks for structures that are located in Whately, are at least 50 years old, are in good condition and are preserved or restored consistent with its historic style.

Part of our mission is to review plans for construction projects of various kinds that affect our town. We provided comments during the past year to the town Planning Board and to various state agencies planning work in Whately. In this process we try to support the goals of the town's Master Plan and the Community Development Plan. Both of these aim to preserve the rural character of our town in part through historic preservation.

Members of the Historical Commissions are also serving on the Community Preservation Committee and the building committee, which is examining planning and funding for town hall renovations.

As always, I want to thank the members of the Commission for their willingness to serve. We also encourage more volunteers to join us. We still have one vacancy. The commission can have as many as 5 members so another volunteer would be welcomed.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan McArdle, Chair
Judy Markland
Howard Nenner
Darcy Tozier

Implementation Committee/Zoning Task Force – 2010

The Implementation Committee was appointed by the Selectmen back in 2005 to work towards achieving many of the goals of the Community Development and Master Plans for the town. Three years ago we concentrated on the passage of the Community Preservation Act. In 2010 we concentrated our efforts on proposed zoning bylaw changes primarily around open space preservation, subdivision and cluster development. In 2009 the Implementation Committee joined forces with the Planning Board and Agricultural Commission to work on revising the zoning bylaws with the assistance of the Franklin Regional Council of Governments Planning Director, Peggy Sloan.

At the April 2010 Annual Town meeting zoning bylaws were passed that:

- Protect the farmland and rural character of Whately
- Promote better designed development that will help protect water quality and natural resources including farmland
- Encourage the provision of affordable housing
- Support working forests and farms
- Avoid impacting traditional roadside building lots known as “Approval Not Required” (ANR) lots

Since passing these bylaws, the Implementation Committee has taken a short break before they tackle the next project

Respectfully submitted,

Paul K. Newlin
Cris Coffin
Kay Klippel
William Obear
Lynn Sibley

Judy Markland
Nicholas Jones
Rebecca Jones
Margaret Christie
Mary Shanley Koeber



TOWN OF WHATELY, MASSACHUSETTS

WHATELY PLANNING BOARD, Donald Sluter – Chair
Fred Bardwell, Nicholas Jones, Judy Markland, Julie Sibley – Members

PLANNING BOARD YEAR END REPORT- 2011

As in the last two years, much of the Planning Board's time this year has been taken up in dealing with the details of the Pine Plains Estates subdivision. The addition of five more lots in Phase II, which were in the portion of the subdivision that did not have clear title has been conditionally approved. The board is awaiting resolution of the conservation easement for the open land to the west of the subdivision to release the first lots for sale.

The Board continues to monitor the progress of completion of common driveways pursuant to approved plans.

Over the year, the Board received numerous Approval Not Required applications for its review and to sign off. We also had several applications for site plan approval and approved one special permit, as well as supporting the awarding of Agricultural Preservation Restriction status to two parcels.

The Board had a Public Hearing relating to the implementation of cluster zoning for the purposes of updating the cluster zoning by-laws. The new zoning by-laws were approved at Town Meeting on April 27, 2010, and recently approved by the Attorney General. The Board has also updated some of our forms, and is in the process of updating the Subdivision Regulations.

With the resignations of Anita Husted and John Torchia last year, the Board was short one member. In September, the Board was pleased to welcome Julie Sibley as our fifth member.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Sluter – Chair

WHATELY CULTURAL COUNCIL

2010 ANNUAL REPORT

The Whately Cultural Council held its public meeting on Tuesday, December 21, 2010 in the Town Hall to discuss its priorities and grant procedures. Only one member of the community other than members of the Council was present. Those assembled discussed the priorities that have guided decisions on grants from the Council in recent years and there was consensus to reaffirm those priorities. "The Whately Cultural Council gives preference to grant applications from local institutions, organizations and community events, with priority given to programs that benefit children or seniors. The Whately Cultural Council does not approve grant applications from performers who do not have sponsorship from a local institution, organization or community event. Such sponsorship must be evidenced by a letter from an authorized representative of the relevant institution, organization or community event."

The Cultural Council also met on Tuesday, December 21, 2010 in an open meeting in the Town Hall to consider grant applications for awards in 2011. By the closing deadline for postmarks, October 15, 2010, the Council received 31 applications seeking awards totaling \$15,525. The Council had \$3965 to allocate, made up of the (reduced) annual allocation from the Massachusetts Cultural Council of \$3870 and \$95 in unspent funds from 2010 awards. The Cultural Council made 14 awards to the following applicant or benefitting organizations (some of which received more than one award): S. White Dickinson Memorial Library, Whately Historical Society, Whately Elementary School, Frontier Regional School, South County Senior Center, New England Wildflower Society Nasami Farm, Frontier Community Access Television, and Watermelon Wednesdays.

Respectfully submitted,

Neal Abraham, chair
George Colt, Secretary
Marianne Simon, Treasurer
Shirley Pielock
Frances Symanski
Tom Leamon

Frontier Community Access Television, Inc.

8B Elm Street

South Deerfield, MA 01373

Frontier Community Access TV, Cable Channel 12 for Conway, Deerfield, Sunderland and Whately operates from a humble studio and production facility at 8B Elm Street in South Deerfield. Over the past year we have seen a lot of growth, many new volunteers, new equipment, and new offering on our shared education access channel.

Here are a few of the touchstone events of the past year.

This time last year we were basking in the success of our first Live Telethon at Frontier to benefit the music department. We successfully raised enough money to significantly offset the cost for the band students to attend a music competition in the DC area. It was also the first big test of our Field Production Unit, or “Road Case”, which allows us to broadcast live or record events with multiple cameras. This year’s Telethon (April 7) is on track to be even better than last year, including art and woodworking in the event.

In September we welcomed Kevin Murphy as the new operations manager. In addition to maintaining everyday operations, Mr. Murphy has trained an “army of volunteers”, primarily FRS students. Along with some adult volunteers, the “army” has been hard at work through the fall bringing you Frontier sports and arts events, as well as FRS school committee meetings and Local Lens, our own local events informational program.

In January, the “army” began live broadcast of Frontier Basketball home games, with live commentary by FRS seniors. We are currently trying to raise enough money (\$7000) to allow for live broadcasts from the football and baseball fields at FRS. Local businesses are stepping up to help start the fund, ***if any readers of this report are interested in supporting this effort, please contact FCAT’s outreach director, Eric Goldstein at the station (665-0012 or mail@fc12.org).***

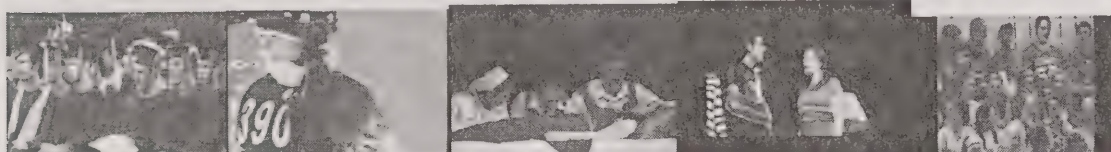
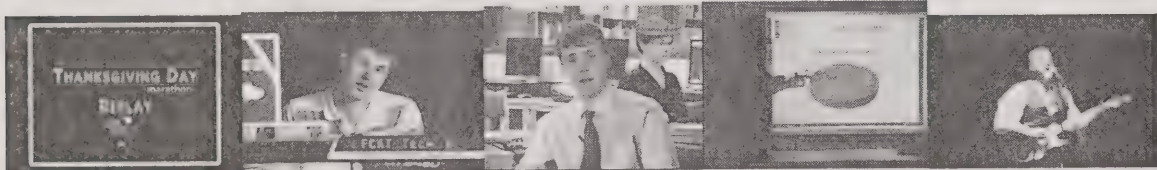
We had a major equipment upgrade in late November, which has already allowed us to offer a greater variety of programming on Channel 12. Our new digital video server will eventually allow us to offer Satellite programs from Free speech TV, something that residents have long requested. This server can produce signals for up to 4 public access channels, and we are working on using 2 of those channels for the government access channels for Deerfield and Whately – this will make it easier for the towns to offer a wider range of programming on Ch 15, including rebroadcasts of public meetings, without interfering with their live broadcasts of public meetings. It will also allow the towns a more convenient web based access to the community bulletin boards on Ch 15, making it easier to update in a timely manner.

In the near future, we plan to 1) offer web streaming of the content on our digital server, including public meetings, sports and arts events and 2) begin broadcasting in parallel on Ch 17 to the 4 towns, which we hope will make it easier to keep both our polka fans and our sports fans happy.



Calendar

FRONTIER
COMMUNITY
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TELEVISION



Submitted by FCAT Board of Directors chair Joyce Palmer Fortune and Operations Manager Kevin Murphy

Sincerely,

Joyce Palmer Fortune
Chair, Frontier Community Access Television, Inc.

SOUTH COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

The mission of the South County Senior Center (former Frontier) is to identify and meet the nutritional, social, intellectual, health and safety needs of elders from Deerfield, Sunderland and Whately through the presentation of activities and services in a safe and comfortable environment. The senior center is a joint venture of all three towns. The Board of Oversight, including one representative from each of the Select Boards, oversees the operation of the center. Current members of the Board of Oversight are: Jonathan Edwards from Whately, Tom Fydenkevez of Sunderland, and Mark Gilmore from Deerfield. The senior center is staffed by a Director, who works 25 hours per week and a Program Assistant who works 10 hours per week. A Franklin County Home Care Corporation employee works 9 hours per week in the kitchen to prepare and serve meals on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. For about half of 2010, Lisa Ballou, a Deerfield resident, served as an Interim Director. Others filled in temporarily in the summer until the new Director, Mary Wheelan, was appointed in August. Desiree Jarosz, was appointed in October. In addition to paid staff there are volunteers who provide very valuable services for elders in the area, both here at the senior center and out in the community.

The regular hours of operation are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. but activities and special events are sometimes scheduled outside of those hours. Mary is also available at 665-1441 at other times. Some of the regularly scheduled activities include: tai chi, osteoporosis exercise class, peer led exercise, Wii Bowling, cards, games, and crafts. Coffee and snacks are served in the morning and a meal is served at noon. Some special events that took place during 2010 included: a Green Bag Day (pharmacists and nurses were available here at the center to review seniors' medications), a holiday dinner in December, a harvest dinner, and entertainment was provided a number of times on and off site through a grant from the Whately Cultural Council. And, elders have been entertaining each other via a popular event scheduled once or twice a month called Song/ Poem/ Story Circle where people take turns sharing original or cover material.

The number of seniors in the area served by the senior center has grown considerably and further growth is expected. As of June 30th the combined total of people age 60 and over in Deerfield, Sunderland and Whately was 2,189. As the number of seniors grows and funding resources shrink a greater emphasis will need to be placed on the availability of services and information online. It is for this reason that the senior center's monthly newsletter, *South County Elder New*, became available in October each and every month on the town web sites of Deerfield, Sunderland and Whately. Hard copies of the newsletter have been available at the senior center and at the town halls and libraries in all three towns. Anyone not able to get the newsletter online and/or not able to get out and pick up a hard copy can request that it be sent through the mail.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Wheelan
Director

S. WHITE DICKINSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

LIBRARIAN'S 2010 ANNUAL REPORT

STATISTICS:

Materials checked out: 8,757

Number of Patrons: 1063

Collection size: 16,772 items

The S. White Dickinson Memorial Library celebrated its 60th Anniversary in 2010 with an active year full of programs and services. The library staff, Board of Trustees, and Friends of the Library all worked towards establishing the library as a community center – making resources and programs available for all ages. We also looked towards the future and established a stable computer network, organized library files and databases, and cleaned out the basement storage room (discovering thousands of rancid survival biscuits from the 1960's). We also built a new collection of DVDs featuring all the new releases you just missed in the theater. The Long Range Planning committee hosted a focus group to gather community input on the direction of the library for years to come. One immediate change following that session led to new library hours which include more evening access and additional opportunities for programs such as the new Writing Group, monthly Book Discussion Group, Movietimes, lectures, yoga classes and more. Our new hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday 1-8pm and Saturday 10-3pm. The library's Community Room is also available for meetings and events. Sign up for our monthly email newsletter by writing to whatelypubliclibrary@gmail.com.

Library Director, Tiffany Hilton, planned numerous activities with the generous support of the Whately Local Cultural Council and the Friends of the Whately Library. Highlights from 2010 events were the annual Summer Reading Program, a comedian and mime, storytellers, cooking demonstrations, a Mister G concert, and craft workshops for adults and children. The most notable, perhaps was the revival of the Holiday Fair – an old tradition brought back to life. Ena Cane would be proud.

2010 also marked the end of an era for the Western MA Regional Library System (WMRLS) which was consolidated into one state-wide system on July 1st. The new Massachusetts Library System (MLS) will strive to support small public libraries such as Whately in the same personal and professional manner. Most importantly, they will keep delivery service intact so Whately library patrons may borrow inter-library loan items from other area libraries.

FRIENDS of the LIBRARY: The Friends board passed the baton to a new group in the spring – and they took off running. Thanks to Susan Boone, Katie & Jim Ross, Linda Theriault, Sheila Powers, and Martha Goodridge for joining the Friends board and pitching in to support the library. With your help, we have raised funds to enrich programs and services and sponsor events like the Summer Reading program, annual Book Sale, monthly Movietimes, a poetry workshop with Leslea Newman, a lecture on geomorphology from Will Ouimet, and the library's 60th Anniversary celebration. Special thanks to Sara Cooper, Jeannine Atkins and Jeanne Kocsis for their many years of service and for making the transition to a new board so fluid. Kudos must go to Jim Ross for taking on the role of treasurer and for putting up a giant tent over our book sale.

WEBSITE/COMPUTERS: Our high speed internet connection and wireless network offer the community a place to access online resources – fast and easy. Library staff can offer assistance or instruction with any questions you may have. Our website is maintained by Judy Markland with current events listings and news available at www.whately.org/library.

VOLUNTEERS: We couldn't do it without you. Thank you to Bryanne McDonough, Bobby Kieras, Barbara Banik, Sharon Young, Judy Markland, Lynda Dubois, Paul Fleuriet, Robin & Alexis Foley, Michelle Melnik and Jan Brown...and to the Trustees and Friends of the library for all your time and effort.

DONATIONS: Signature Sounds President and Whately resident, Jim Olsen, continues to donate each new CD on his record label to keep our collection current. Thank you to LaSalle's for maintaining our flower boxes all year and to the Chamutka family for the beautiful fall decorations and holiday wreaths.

Thanks to our loyal library patrons for your appreciation and support – whether you read dozens of books, borrow DVDs or use our computers or copy machine – we love when you stop in to see us. Lastly, we value the commitment of Betsy Cook – who has worked at the library for over ten years.

We welcome your suggestions always – and look forward to seeing you in 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Hilton
Library Director

Recreation Commission

The Recreation Commission had another successful year serving the youth of Whately through the organization and staffing of recreational sports and community activities. We continue to offer programs in the traditional sports of baseball, softball, basketball and soccer, but we are just as excited to have begun working with additional volunteers in an effort to expand our program. Beginning this January, the Whately Recreation Committee was pleased to support a Garland Dance Team open for children from all four Union 38 towns to participate. We look forward with anticipation as we continue to expand the scope of those programs offered through the recreation committee.

Participation in many of the programs continued to grow in 2010. Most notably, more than eighty children registered and participated in Whatley Youth Soccer; the most ever. Also, the Softball program too continues to grow. This while the numbers of participants in Basketball and Baseball remained steady.

Improvements at Herlihy Field continued this past year. Most evident was the re-leveling and sodding of the sixty foot baseball diamond. This great improvement has led to more than just an enhanced playing experience for Whately's youth. Herlihy Field served as the venue for the first annual Major League Baseball Tournament. This outstanding event was a great close to the season for all Union 38 towns and we in the Recreation Committee are very proud to have been able to hold such an event in our town.

It must be noted that the completion of the improvements to the small diamond at Herlihy Field would not have been nearly as impressive without the great support and partnership with Deerfield Academy. Deerfield Academy provided equipment, manpower and expertise to the project. A great many thanks have been passed onto the staff from Deerfield Academy for their assistance in this transition.

Herlihy Field continues to host men's and co-ed baseball teams from May to September on the larger ninety-foot baseball diamond. These teams, especially the Whately Pioneers of the Vintage Baseball League, provide great entertainment on a weekend afternoon or evening. This field also served as the home field for the University of Massachusetts Club Baseball team and was used by several summer baseball leagues.

The Recreation Commission is very excited to be planning additional improvements in 2011 to each of our sports venues. A final top layer of soil will be added to the "Blue School" field to bring it to a more desirable consistency. Once completed, this surface and field will be one of the best softball fields for youth softball in Union 38. New soccer goals will be installed on the small soccer field and they will be re-positioned as to ensure they are properly aligned. Additionally, we will be rebuilding the storage shed which was recently left unusable due to this winter's high level of snow accumulation.

Other improvements will be less noticeable, but still very important. Matters such as the replacement of our town's baseball uniforms will give our players a better sense of pride and enjoyment in their team and town. We will be looking to add a flag pole to Herlihy Field as well.

Lastly, for 2011, we are hopeful to continue to expand our listing of offering to members of the town. Our goal is to move beyond youth athletics and add additional non-sports activities for youth and for all others who live in our community, as well as additional sports programs for adults. One example of this would be the three on three basketball tournament that we are looking to host toward the end of March.

We are extremely thankful to the townspeople of Whatley for supporting our programs throughout the year. Those individuals that volunteer to coach, officiate and help with field maintenance are extended special thanks.

Without their selflessness and desire to make our community the best it can be, there is no doubt that our successes would be greatly reduced. We look forward to your continued support as we continue to offer opportunities for the residents of Whately to be proud of their efforts to our community.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Ciesluk, Chip DeForest, Carrie Fydenkevez, Todd Jarvis, Jamie Vielmetti, Fred Warren, and Sheila Zewinski

TRI-TOWN BEACH DISTRICT

William Skroski – Co-Chair
Elizabeth Orloski
Susan Monahan

Edie Ostrowski – Co-Chair
Sharon Paciorek
Dana Lavigne

The 2010 beach season was very successful. The price of passes remained the same as they have been for over 8 years, \$35.00 for residents of Whately and Deerfield, and \$50.00 for the residents of Sunderland, Conway, and Hatfield. Passes for senior residents of all 5 towns were still \$10.00.

The District had weekly water testing, as is mandated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This kept the beach a very safe and pleasant community resource. We did have some beach closings due to the failure of a few of the water tests, but they occurred with only a few days left in the season. The weather was absolutely gorgeous all summer, very sunny and warm.

In 2010 Tri-Town Beach was home base to Whately's 3rd Annual Triathlon, organized by Sue Monahan. This event raised \$5,000.00 to benefit the Whately Police Department. Many thanks to all of the residents of Whately and Deerfield who participated, volunteered, or came out to cheer. Special thanks to the Whately Police and Fire Departments, Hatfield Police and Fire Departments and the Northfield Dive Teams for donating their time and resources to make this a successful community event. The combined efforts and support of the local community make this event very rewarding and enriches our 'small town' appeal.

The District also held its annual "Appreciation Day". This is a great event held every season, and it brings the surrounding communities together. The Frontier Senior Center was welcomed at this event as well. The beach was also host to many birthday parties and family gatherings for pass holders, as well as River Valley Day Camp. Deerfield Recreation Swim Program held swim lessons at the beach, offering many skill levels to both children and adults.

The commissioners are looking forward to the 2011 season. Please feel free to contact any of the commissioners with feedback, questions, or comments. We strive to keep this very valuable town recreational facility enjoyable to all residents.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Monahan
Tri-Town Beach Commission

FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL

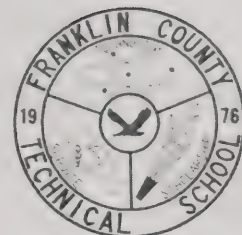
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Richard K. Lane
Superintendent



Franklin County Technical School District 2010 Annual Report to Towns

We submit this annual report for 2010 on behalf of the Franklin County Technical School District and its administration, faculty, staff and students.

Total enrollment as of October 1, 2010 was 504 students with town breakouts as follows:

Bernardston	11	Erving	16	Montague	72	Sunderland	18
Buckland	16	Gill	13	New Salem	10	Warwick	7
Colrain	19	Greenfield	122	Northfield	24	Wendell	5
Conway	13	Heath	5	Orange	61	Whately	7
Deerfield	24	Leyden	4	Shelburne	20	Non-District	37

Franklin County Technical School awarded 114 diplomas to our seniors in June of 2010. Massachusetts students are required to pass the MCAS in order to receive a high school diploma and once again our students were very successful in meeting this high academic standard. The graduates also earned their vocational certificate along with their diploma. 46% of our graduates planned to go on to either a two or four year college, 32% joined the area work force, 4% planned to join the military, 6% went on to a post secondary trade/technical school, and 14% were unsure as to which of the above options they would pursue. We are proud of the accomplishments of the Class of 2010.

All schools in the Commonwealth are required by the federal No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) to meet or exceed specific student performance standards in English/language arts, mathematics and science. The Franklin County Technical School is proud to note that, both in the aggregate and for all subgroups, it met these adequate yearly progress determinations for the 2009–2010 school year.

During 2009-2010, the students from various vocational programs performed a variety of service projects benefiting many of our member towns and the city of Greenfield. We plan to continue supplying our constituent towns with these services as they offer both the ideal learning laboratory for our students as well as an opportunity to contribute back to the communities that have supported us so well over the years. A small sample of recent projects include a timber framed pavilion for the town of Northfield Council on Aging, a water tank project for the town of Montague, a sign project for the town of Bernardston, a house building project in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity and the installation of numerous interactive whiteboards and projectors for Whately Elementary School. Students from many shop areas also continue to routinely assist our building maintenance department, supplying services that would otherwise be contracted to outside agencies.

Articulation agreements are contracts that guarantee college credit for work performed at the high school level as long as very specific requirements are met. In some circumstances, seniors at F.C.T.S. are able to earn more than half a semester of college credit prior to graduation. F.C.T.S. currently has articulation agreements in place with Greenfield Community College, Mt. Wachusett Community College, Springfield Technical Community College, Vermont Technical College and other post secondary institutions who have agreed to award college credit for work completed in our business department, CAD/CAM department, Information Technology program and Business Technology program. We are working to develop further agreements that will benefit our students in other program areas as we begin to look at discussing agreements with the labor unions that would translate into shorter probationary periods and higher starting pay for our graduates. We

continue to strive to provide our graduates with multiple options for career paths along with the technical skills that allow them to “earn as they learn” at a pay rate that is well above entry level rates.

We were fortunate to have the opportunity to work closely with Greenfield Community College as they offered a pioneering Weatherization Installer Course. Franklin County Technical School provided the space necessary for the laboratory and classroom instruction. The curriculum was developed by both Springfield Technical Community College and the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center and is the first of its kind in the nation. Designed to prepare students for a career as a residential weatherization installer capable of cost effectively air sealing and insulating single family and small multi-family dwellings using current best practices, we had a carpentry instructor and a student from our plumbing and heating program complete the course. Select portions of the curriculum will be integrated into our existing programs using the state-of-the-art training mock-ups located on our property. F.C.T.S. will continue to work to expand our collaboration with GCC in the area of renewable energy and sustainable energy for the mutual benefit of both institutions.

F.C.T.S. introduced a Robotics elective in the 2010-2011 school year. Students in this program design, build and learn to program their own robots. As they gain new skills, they are presented with increasingly more difficult challenges. Students work in teams to find solutions to specific situations and eventually have the opportunity to compete against robotics teams from other schools. The study of robotics, by its very nature, captures all four legs of STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) very well while a competitive environment increases motivation and desire to succeed, thus creating classroom environments where both knowledge and skill development can flourish without having to compromise one for the other.

F.C.T.S. is preparing to introduce a new program, PROJECT LEAD THE WAY (PLTW), scheduled to be ready for September 2011. PLTW is a national non-profit organization that partners with high schools to implement a curriculum that emphasizes hands-on experiences in STEM. The overall goal is to encourage a more diverse group of students to consider careers as scientists, technology experts, engineers, healthcare providers and researchers in an effort to enable the United States to remain competitive in the global economy. PLTW teachers must pass a pre-core assessment and receive intensive two week training before they can teach under this program. Students who are selected to participate will experience five rigorous courses over their four years at F.C.T.S., designed to prepare them for entry into the fields of engineering, science or other related areas. Students will develop problem-solving skills and apply their knowledge of research and design as they create solutions to various challenges. Courses such as Introduction to Engineering Design, Digital Electronics, Principles of Engineering, and Computer Integrated Manufacturing prepare students for post secondary success in a wide variety of STEM based careers. We are very excited about the opportunities that PLTW and our new Robotics electives will provide for our students.

In closing, we will continue to work diligently to ensure that our graduates are an integral part of the economic development for the region and we thank each and every citizen of Franklin County for your continued support.

Mr. Richard J. Kuklewicz
School Committee Chairman

Mr. Richard K. Lane
Superintendent

Franklin County Technical School District Committee

Bernardston
Lloyd J. Szulborski

Buckland
Laura J. Earl

Colrain
Nicole Slowinski

Conway
Stephanie Recore

Deerfield
Edward W. Pepyne, Jr.

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Gail V. Zukowski

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Clifford J. Fournier, Secretary
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Vacancy

Sunderland
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A. George Day, Jr., Vice-Chairperson

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Annual Report
From the
Office of the Superintendent of Schools

Frontier Regional School
For 2010

January 2011

FRONTIER SCHOOL REPORT

Mr. Robert Halla, Chair
Frontier Regional School District Committee
South Deerfield, MA 01373

Dear Mr. Halla:

I respectfully submit the 2010 Frontier Regional School Annual Report.

FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

TERM EXPIRES

* Robert Halla, Chair, Whately	2011
* Mary Ramon, Vice Chair, Deerfield	2011
William Smith, Secretary, Whately	2012
Robert White, Member, Sunderland	2011
Alexis Toy, Member, Deerfield	2012
* Lynn Cook, Member, Sunderland	2011
Robert Decker, III, Member, Deerfield	2011
Cyndie Ouimette, Member, Conway	2013
* Elaine Rogers, Member, Conway	2011

*Representing the local Elementary School Committees for one-year term.

Regular meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month, in the Media Center, Frontier Regional School, South Deerfield, Massachusetts at 7:00 p.m.

ADMINISTRATION

Regina H. Nash, Ed.D.	Superintendent of Schools
Donald M. Scott	Business Manager
Karen Ferrandino	Director of Special Education
Patricia Stachelek	Frontier Regional Bookkeeper/Treasurer
Stephan Shepherd	Grants Bookkeeper
Donna Hathaway	Administrative Secretary
Sherie Gervais	Administrative Secretary
Diana Capuano	Special Education Secretary

FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL

Martha Barrett	Principal
Darius Modestow	Assistant Principal
Kelly Blanchette	Special Education Secretary
Deborah Coons	Administrative Secretary
Debbie Mason	Attendance Officer
Roberta Reiter	Administrative Secretary
Karen Siwicki	Guidance Secretary

FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL ENROLLMENT - OCTOBER 1, 2010

<i>Grade</i>	<i>Conway</i>	<i>Deerfield</i>	<i>Sunderland</i>	<i>Whately</i>	<i>School Choice</i>	<i>Tuitioned In</i>	<i>Total</i>
7	24	47	23	16	19	0	129
8	5	52	28	14	20	0	119
9	11	40	23	15	19	0	108
10	9	35	19	17	26	1	107
11	14	36	28	15	22	1	116
12	12	36	24	15	21	0	108
Total	75	246	145	92	127	2	687

FRONTIER REGIONAL

SALARY SCHEDULE

July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010

STEP	Bachelors	Masters	M+30	CAGS/Doctorate
1	37,008	38,790	40,976	43,025
2	38,914	40,477	42,526	44,652
3	40,529	42,205	44,130	46,337
4	41,526	43,995	45,791	48,081
5	42,982	45,403	47,473	49,847
6	44,106	46,892	49,255	51,717
7	46,005	48,387	50,881	53,425
8	47,218	49,923	52,520	55,146
9	48,469	51,182	54,891	57,636
10	50,880	54,090	57,332	60,198
11	53,549	57,224	59,847	62,840
12	54,437	59,334	62,610	65,741
13	56,552	61,526	64,854	68,097
*20L	57,052	62,026	65,354	68,597
**25L	57,552	62,526	65,854	69,097

* Placement on Step 20L occurs when an individual has completed 19 years of service as a Frontier Regional School faculty member.

** Placement on Step 25L occurs when an individual has completed 24 years of service as a Frontier Regional School faculty member.

Frontier Regional School Superintendent Report

I am proud to report that I continue to see a commitment to high standards on the part of students, parents, faculty, and community members. Evidence of this has been apparent in our students, as well as in our students' success on local and state assessments, and in the work that students and teachers accomplish in our school every day.

ENROLLMENT AND SCHOOL CHOICE

The October 1, 2010 enrollment for Frontier Regional School District totaled 687 students. This is a decrease of 13 students from the October 1, 2009 enrollment figures. Of the 687 students, 127 were School Choice, which is an increase of 4 students from the School Choice enrollment of October 2009.

The Frontier Regional School graduated 108 students in the Class of 2010.

STAFF

Newly hired faculty members at Frontier Regional School this year are Matt Howell (ELL), Colin Hosley (Math Teacher) and Joanne Valley (Arts). Two new faculty replaced faculty who have moved to other districts or who

have retired. A part-time ELL instructor was added to allow us to meet the needs of middle school English Language Learners.

NEW ADDITIONS AND AWARDS

There were a number of new happenings at Frontier Regional School District this year.

- The community has reason to celebrate at the completion of the New England Association of Secondary Schools accreditation process. The three year self-evaluation study was viewed positively by the visiting committee and Frontier was awarded its ten year accreditation. The visiting team examines seven areas of the school: Mission and Expectations for Student Learning, Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment of Student Learning, Leadership and Organization, School Resources for Learning and Community Resources for Learning.
- Deerfield Academy donated over \$10,000 worth of previously used Nautilus equipment. The new equipment is located in Frontier's new Wellness Center. The equipment is being used daily in gym classes and team practices. In addition, a couple of evenings a week adult weight training classes are being offered to the public. The space that previously housed the weight equipment was transformed into a movement room.
- The addition of Virtual High School (VHS) classes has expanded the number of opportunities our students have to participate in courses that are not currently offered by Frontier faculty.
- Independent study opportunities have been one way that students can pursue a topic of interest under the guidance of a Frontier faculty member. This year a Capstone presentation was added to the other Independent study requirements. At the end of each semester students who have participated in an independent study course conduct a presentation in front of a review panel.
- A number of new clubs have been added to the list of opportunities for Frontier students. Club choices now include the Green Club and the Ultimate Frisbee Club.

CURRICULUM AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

This year in addition to preparing for the NEASC visit Frontier faculty participated in a number of professional development activities. The faculty had the opportunity to learn about best practices in teaching students with Language Based Learning difficulties. Workshops were presented by Land Mark College and provided information in structuring classes so that all students can be successful.

Faculty were engaged in several discussions related to assessment and the mission of the Frontier Regional School. The Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks continue to be a central theme in all curriculum discussions. This year teachers in all academic areas were involved in a continuation of a curriculum mapping project.

Frontier teachers are continually engaged in professional development activities to strengthen their skills. Curriculum development, state standards and data driven analysis are central themes and a focus of professional development.

SPECIAL THANKS

I am pleased to acknowledge the dedication and hard work of Frontier Regional School Committee Members: Chair, Robert Halla, Mary Ramon, William Smith, Dr. Robert White, Alexis Toy, Lynn Cook, Robert Decker, III, Cyndie Ouimette and Elaine Rogers. I look forward with pleasure to continuing our work together.

I would like to acknowledge all of the faculty and staff members who work tirelessly to create a highly effective and supportive learning environment in the Frontier Regional School. I appreciate their professionalism, their willingness to meet the needs of individual students, and the care and concern they bring to their classrooms every school day.

I am proud of the efforts of our administration, teaching and support staff, students and central office support and administrative staff as they are accountable to the high standards that are so important to the success of today's schools. I am also extremely grateful for the ongoing support of parents; the communities of Conway, Deerfield, Sunderland and Whately; our school councils, town officials and employees. Without this team effort, we could not obtain the educational excellence for which our schools are known and admired.

Respectfully submitted,

Regina H. Nash, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Annual Report
From the
Office of the Superintendent of Schools

Whately Elementary School
for 2010

January 2011

WHATELY SCHOOL REPORT

Mr. Nathanael Fortune, Chair
Whately School Committee
Whately, MA 01093

Dear Mr. Fortune:

I respectfully submit the 2009 Annual Report for the Whately Elementary School.

WHATELY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

TERM EXPIRES

Nathanael Fortune, Chair	2012
Donald Skroski, Vice Chair	2011
*Robert Halla, Member	2013

*Representative to the Frontier Regional School Committee

ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent

Regina H. Nash, Ed.D.

Business Manager
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 Bookkeeper, Grants
 Principal
 Secretary

Donald M. Scott
 Karen Ferrandino
 Donna Hathaway
 Sherie Gervais
Diana Capuano
 Brenda Antes
 Paula Light
 Stephan Shepherd
 Peter Crisafulli
 Mary Lesenski

WHATELY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ENROLLMENT - OCTOBER 1, 2010

Grade	Boys	Girls	School Choice	Tuitioned In	Total
PreK	0	0	0	14	14
K	8	8	5	0	21
1	7	6	6	0	19
2	4	2	8	0	14
3	10	4	6	0	20
4	4	7	8	0	19
5	3	1	10	0	14
6	7	3	7	0	17
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Total	43	31	50	14	138

UNION #38 TEACHERS' SALARY SCHEDULE
CONWAY, DEERFIELD, SUNDERLAND, WHATELY

July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010

1 st HALF

<u>STEP</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>B+15</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>M+15</u>	<u>M+30</u>	2%
3	37,705	38,879	40,095	41,349	42,641	
4	38,879	40,095	41,349	42,641	43,975	
5	40,095	41,349	42,641	43,975	45,349	
6	41,349	42,641	43,975	45,349	46,763	
7	42,641	43,975	45,349	46,763	48,225	
8	43,975	45,349	46,763	48,225	49,732	
9	45,349	46,763	48,225	49,732	51,288	
10	46,763	48,225	49,732	51,288	52,888	
11	48,225	49,732	51,288	52,888	54,540	
12	49,732	51,288	52,888	54,540	56,247	
13	51,288	52,888	54,540	56,247	58,007	
14	54,770	56,425	58,457	60,216	62,601	
20	56,470	58,156	60,231	62,024	64,458	

July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010

2nd HALF

<u>STEP</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>B+15</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>M+15</u>	<u>M+30</u>	1%
3	38,082	39,268	40,496	41,762	43,068	
4	39,268	40,496	41,762	43,068	44,415	
5	40,496	41,762	43,068	44,415	45,802	
6	41,762	43,068	44,415	45,802	47,231	
7	43,068	44,415	45,802	47,231	48,707	
8	44,415	45,802	47,231	48,707	50,229	
9	45,802	47,231	48,707	50,229	51,801	
10	47,231	48,707	50,229	51,801	53,417	
11	48,707	50,229	51,801	53,417	55,086	
12	50,229	51,801	53,417	55,086	56,809	
13	51,801	53,417	55,086	56,809	58,587	
14	55,318	56,989	59,042	60,818	63,227	
20	57,035	58,737	60,833	62,644	65,102	

Nature's Classroom Teacher: \$275 per teacher unit.

Workshop Presenters: \$30 per hour of presentation and reimbursement for reasonable expenses.

Head Teachers: \$400

Placement on 20 occurs when a teacher has completed 19 years of service as a teacher in the District.

Mentors: \$500 per each new teacher, \$250 for second/third-year teacher, \$250 for each additional teacher being mentored, to a maximum of three (3) in any year.

FINANCIAL REPORT

TOWN OF WHATELY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

SUMMARY OF BUDGET RELATED EXPENDITURES

JULY 1, 2009 - JUNE 30, 2010

CATEGORY

School Committee	\$8,756
Central Office	70,701
Principal's Office	108,260
General Instruction	494,623
Kindergarten	59,090
Pre-School	19,146
Art	12,545
Music	22,395
Physical Education	17,117
Special Education	237,534
Library/Media	67,041
Guidance	39,913
Psychologist	12,583
Student Services	2,095
Health	32,292
Cafeteria	250
Buildings & Grounds	188,455
Fixed Costs	15,825
Transportation	40,604
Fixed Assets	<u>1,301</u>
Total	\$1,450,526

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT WHATELY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

OPENING STATEMENT

The Whately Elementary School continues to offer an outstanding educational experience for students in preschool through grade six. The educational environment provides opportunities for children to grow in an academically rich setting. Dedicated and experienced faculty helps children to find their way in our ever changing world. The educational opportunities available to students are possible because the people of Whately continue their commitment to fund their school's budget and to support its faculty and programs.

The community has high expectations for the educational experience that are offered to our students. The Whately school community rises to meet those expectations and provide a solid foundation for our future citizens. Whately Elementary School students continue to perform well on both local and state assessments.

ENROLLMENT AND SCHOOL CHOICE

The October 1, 2010 enrollment for Whately Elementary School totaled 138 (PreK-6) students. This is a decrease of 6 students from the October 1, 2009 enrollment figures. Of the 138 students, 50 are School Choice. This is an increase of 4 students from the School Choice enrollment of October 2010.

CURRICULUM AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

In an ongoing effort to make the best use of the technology for our students' benefit, the teachers in the Whately Elementary School continue to expand their technological knowledge and skills and to explore motivating and innovative uses of technology in the classroom.

During the 2009/2010 school year, teachers in the Whately Elementary School were trained in the use of a computer based interactive white board known as the "Smart board". This device makes it possible for students to participate in engaging lessons that are designed on a computer and displayed on a large screen in classroom. These boards are "smart" because the images, words, and numbers on the screen can be moved around, made to change color, grow larger or smaller, or disappear entirely when the screen is simply tapped by a finger. In addition, video clips selected by the teacher from various educational resources on the internet can be easily shown to the entire class. Students are eager to be invited to work with the screen in front of their classmates creating a lively and motivating class periods.

Teachers in Whately Elementary School received training in strategies for addressing bullying behaviors, and a review of the anti-bullying curriculum for grades 3 – 6 called *Steps to Respect*. This curriculum, designed by the nationally based organization Committee for Children teaches students how to recognize bullying behaviors and what to do when bullying occurs. Students are taught strategies for refusing bullying from others, and how not to be a bystander, but to report bullying to responsible adults. All classrooms in the district began implementing this curriculum beginning in September, 2010.

ASSESSMENT

Whately Elementary School teachers worked collaboratively with teachers from the other schools in Union #38 to develop a system of math and literacy assessments that will enable teachers to determine areas in the curriculum needing review, as well as accurately identify specific skills or students that would benefit from support, practice, or enrichment.

In addition to participating in locally developed assessments, students in grades 3 – 6 participate in computer based assessments of reading and math skills that enable teachers to compare each student's skill development to students across the nation. This system, called Measurement of Academic Progress from the Northwest Educational

Assessment System is also being used at Frontier Regional School and is helping our schools track and monitor each student's individual progress as they move up through the grades.

STAFF

As of September 1, 2010, the newly hired faculty member at the Whately Elementary School is Claudia Beldengreen (School Psychologist).

There were no retirees this year.

SPECIAL THANKS

I am pleased to acknowledge the dedication of Whately School Committee members Chair, Nathanael Fortune, Donald Skroski and Robert Halla. This group of individuals works hard on behalf of the Whately community and the many citizens who are part of the educational experience. I look forward to continuing our work together as we strive for excellence.

My sincere thanks to the Whately School Council and PTO. Their efforts at Whately Elementary School enhance the many opportunities available to our students and staff. I want to thank all those town departments that help us keep our students and staff safe. I especially wish to recognize the Police, Fire, and Highway Departments for their dedication and vigilance.

Finally, I would like to extend my appreciation to the citizens of Whately for their support. All members of the community are welcome to visit our school and encouraged to participate in the wide range of school activities and programs that are available to them.

Respectfully submitted,

Regina H. Nash, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

**ANNUAL REPORT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY
COOPERATIVE BUILDING INSPECTION PROGRAM
FISCAL YEAR 2010**

Dear Member Town:

Thank you for your continued participation in the FCCIP. This letter/report provides a summary of our program's activity in fiscal year 2010.

Fiscal Year 2010 showed a small increase in dwelling units constructed in 2010 (36 as compared with only 31 for 2009). Permit values were up, totaling \$38,719,773, and commercial work remains steady. Total permit fees collected amounted to \$244,692, with commercial work accounting for 25% of the fees. Total number of permits issued increased from 992 to 1073 with a significant number of wood and pellet stove permits, and residential renovation work.

Our newsletter is sent to all member towns and builders. If you wish to have a copy, please contact this office.

James D. Hawkins
Inspector of Buildings

07/01/2009 - 06/30/2010
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FISCAL YEAR REPORT

TOWN	PERMITS	VALUE	DWELL UNITS*	PERMIT FEES	CERT OF OCC	CERT OF APPROVE	CERT OF INSP	C.I. FEES	OTHER FEES	TOTAL
Ashfield	106	2,548,189	1	15,010.00	4	20	9	200.00	100.00	15,310.00
Bernardston	90	2,605,529	5	16,407.00	8	15	15	436.00	250.00	17,093.00
Buckland	111	2,192,113	1	14,703.00	13	33	10	270.00	100.00	15,073.00
Charlemont	61	1,545,098	1	10,340.00	6	12	20	920.00	50.00	13,520.00
Conway	87	3,920,111	5	28,180.00	8	15	4	60.00	60.00	17,032.00
Erving	57	2,176,428	2	14,086.00	11	16	10	280.00	160.00	9,836.00
Gill	69	2,585,486	4	16,720.00	15	14	35	2,240.00	310.00	19,270.00
Hawley	24	544,888	1	3,564.00	2	4	1	50.00	0.00	3,614.00
Heath	43	506,094	0	2,861.00	7	11	1	0.00	0.00	2,861.00
Leverett	100	4,717,916	6	27,368.00	13	21	6	160.00	60.00	27,588.00
Leyden	34	927,424	3	5,896.00	4	11	7	230.00	0.00	6,126.00
Shelburne	129	10,102,342	5	61,859.00	16	27	33	955.00	670.00	63,484.00
Shutesbury	79	1,463,277	2	9,578.00	14	16	11	470.00	0.00	10,048.00
Whately	83	2,884,878	0	18,120.00	14	25	12	530.00	60.00	18,710.00
TOTALS	1073	38,719,773	36	244,692.00	135	240	174	6,801.00	1,820.00	253,313.00

*2-Family and Multi-dwellings are issued only one permit per building.

**These figures reflect only those inspections which receive Certificates, but for various reasons no Certificates are issued.

"Other Fees" reflect re-inspections and duplication of permits and C.O.'s.

**ANNUAL REPORT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY
COOPERATIVE WIRING INSPECTION PROGRAM
FISCAL YEAR 2010**

Dear Member Town:

I have included the Fiscal Year 2010 report at the bottom of this letter which reflects wiring permits and fee activity for all member towns.

We are seeing more solar installations in our towns. All of these projects need an electrical permit and inspections. Electrical cords are only for temporary use, not for permanently plugging in solar hot water pumps and controls. Also, permits & inspections are required for new or replacement heating systems.

If you have any questions I can be reached during normal office hours on Monday thru Friday, 7AM-9AM at 772-2026, ext 126 or by email at electric@frcog.org. You will find permits, fee schedules, and helpful information on our web site at www.frcog.org, under the Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program.

Thomas McDonald

Wiring Inspector
07/01/2009 - 06/30/2010
FISCAL YEAR REPORT

PERMIT FEE RECEIPTS FROM TOWNS:

<u>Towns</u>	<u>Re-inspection Fees</u>	<u>Permits</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Ashfield	0.00	45	4,385.00
Bernardston	0.00	47	4,615.00
Buckland	0.00	46	5,675.00
Charlemont	50.00	31	2,610.00
Conway	0.00	48	5,765.00
Erving	0.00	35	3,130.00
Gill	50.00	39	4,165.00
Hawley	0.00	15	1,300.00
Heath	0.00	24	1,950.00
Leverett	0.00	60	6,575.00
Rowe	0.00	15	1,925.00
Shelburne	0.00	51	5,778.00
<u>Whately</u>	<u>212.00</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>7,560.00</u>
TOTAL:	312.00	508	55,433.00

TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED 55,745.00

**ANNUAL REPORT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY
COOPERATIVE PLUMBING/GAS INSPECTION PROGRAM
FISCAL YEAR 2010**

Dear Member Town:

I have included the Fiscal Year 2010 report at the bottom of this page which reflects plumbing/gas permits and fee activity for all member towns.

Once again I would like to take this opportunity to remind town residents that the Mass State Plumbing & Gas Code and our inspection program are in place for the health and safety protection of all residents. It is also for the protection of town residents that all plumbing and gas installation/repairs be performed by licensed contractors. Permits shall only be issued to licensed plumbers. You can contact me during office hours on Monday thru Thursday mornings 7a.m.-9a.m. at 772-2026, ext. 125 or email me at plumbing@frcog.org. You will find permits, fee schedules, and helpful information on our web site at www.frcog.org, under Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program.

Once again, I would like to extend my appreciation to all town officials for your cooperation and assistance during the past year.

Andrew French
Plumbing & Gas Inspector

07/01/2009 - 06/30/2010
FISCAL YEAR REPORT

PERMIT FEE RECEIPTS TO TOWNS:

<u>Towns</u>	<u>Re-inspection Fees</u>	<u>Permits</u>	<u>Total Fees</u>
Ashfield	0.00	92	7,355.00
Bernardston	0.00	40	4,950.00
Buckland	0.00	42	4,465.00
Charlemont	0.00	25	2,095.00
Conway	0.00	57	5,330.00
Erving	0.00	28	2,812.00
Gill	45.00	47	4,385.00
Hawley	0.00	8	1,080.00
Heath	0.00	13	1,370.00
Leverett	0.00	64	6,760.00
Leyden	0.00	18	1,900.00
Rowe	0.00	5	620.00
Shelburne	0.00	41	5,415.00
<u>Whately</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>6,415.00</u>
TOTAL:	45.00	540	54,952.00
TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED		54,997.00	

2010 REPORT OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

To the Residents of the Solid Waste District:

The Solid Waste District was formed in 1989 to help Franklin County towns manage all aspects of their solid waste – recyclables, organics, hazardous waste, wastewater treatment sludge, and trash. We continue to provide assistance to the twenty-two member towns through administrative support, professional consultation, trainings, and outreach to residents and businesses. In 2010 we welcomed a new member town, Leverett.

A review of recycling tonnage for 2010 shows a continued decline of 10% from 2009. Historically, when the economy is in a downturn trash disposal and recycling tonnages are lower than normal. District residents still showed their commitment to recycling by diverting 1,900 tons of paper and 1,100 tons of mixed containers from regional disposal facilities. The 3,000 tons of recyclable material was processed at the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility. Recycling market prices rebounded in 2010. District towns received a total of \$116,400 in revenue for their recyclables.

In 2010, the District sponsored a spring and fall “Clean Sweep” collection for bulky items, electronics, tires, appliances, and anything too big to fit into a trash bag. Over 60 tons of material was recycled or disposed of from the two collections. A total of 542 households participated.

We also held our annual household hazardous waste collection in September 2010. This event allows residents to properly dispose of toxic cleaners, automotive products, pesticides, and other toxic products. Over 300 households participated in this event. Almost 50% of participants were using the collection for the first time.

We continue to work with public schools to improve their recycling programs as well as to implement programs to collect food waste for composting. The District also provides hands-on assistance to businesses and institutions that want to recycle or compost their waste. Recycling and composting assistance was provided to 30 public events, including the Franklin County Fair.

If you have questions about District programs, call us at 772-2438, visit our website at www.franklincountywastedistrict.org or visit us at 50 Miles Street in Greenfield.

Jan Ameen - *Executive Director*

Chris Boutwell, Montague - *Chair*

Andrea Donlon, Buckland - *Treasurer*

TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF WHATELY

During Smith Charities' fiscal year, February 1, 2010 – January 31, 2011, the following applicants from Whately were paid as beneficiaries under the Oliver Smith Will:

2 Widows received gifts totaling	\$600.00
3 Tradespersons received a gift of \$600 plus an additional distribution of \$700, totaling	\$3,900.00
1 Nurse received a gift of \$600 plus an additional distribution of \$700, totaling	\$1,300.00

John C. LaSalle, Elector
Under the Oliver Smith Will

Veterans Affairs Enrollment and Eligibility:

If you are a Veteran not currently enrolled in the VA healthcare, you are invited to contact their main eligibility office and 413-582-3091. Further information can be found at www.va.gov/healtheligibility

Greenfield Based outpatient Clinic, 143 Munson St. 413-773-8428

Many Veterans have been call looking for the VA Web Sites here are a few for you.

Educational Benefits. www.gibill.va.gov
Home Loan Guaranty. www.homeloans.va.gov
Federal Jobs www.usajobs.opm.gov
Returning Veterans www.seamlesstranstion.va.gov
VA Home Page. www.va.gov
Government Jobs. www.usajobs.gov/opm

HOME OF THE BRAVE:

Mass Housing's Home for the Brave loan program provides affordable, no-down payment mortgages for veterans of the U.S. Armed Services living in Massachusetts.

**To apply for a Home of the Brave loan, contact a participating lender.
For a complete list of Home for the Brave lenders,
visit: www.masshousing.com/veteran.**

You can call Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency at 888-672-7562.

Sincerely,
Leo J. Parent, Jr
Director
1-413-863-3205

Franklin County Regional Emergency Planning Committee (REPC) 2010 Report to Our Member Communities

Every town in Massachusetts is required under Federal SARA Title III law to have a local emergency planning committee to address procedures to deal with hazardous materials (“hazmat”) emergencies, meet right-to-know requirements, and encourage community awareness. In 2000, under the leadership and administrative support of the Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG), all 26 Franklin County towns opted into a regional emergency planning committee and elected an “all hazards” approach to emergency planning. This approach addresses planning for hazmat emergencies as well as other natural, technological, and man-made events that call for a similar inter-town, inter-disciplinary response.

Since that time the Committee has come to develop and maintain a regional Hazardous Materials Emergency Plan (HMEP), which is a planning and guidance document that provides resources and recommendations for the development of individual community response plans. In addition, the REPC now has several subcommittees (including a Planning, Industry, and Training Subcommittee), an elected Executive Committee, and conducts quarterly meetings. The Committee provides trainings and exercises to emergency responders and local community leaders throughout Franklin County to meet local and state training requirements. The Committee is now recognized by the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) as a fully-certified Regional Emergency Planning Committee (REPC).

The Franklin County REPC remains the largest of 23 REPCs in the Commonwealth. During 2010, the Committee continued its mandated activities:

1. Reviewing and updating the HMEP annually
2. Training emergency responders
3. Exercising response plans
4. Creating a system to collect, store, and respond to public requests for information.

Last summer, REPC members and FRCOG staff spent months of hard work making multiple revisions to plans and procedures in order to gain full re-certification from the State Emergency Response Committee. Recertification means that each town, through the REPC, has met the state and federal guidelines under SARA Title III. This certification is good for three years (through January 1, 2014).

Under the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA) facilities using, storing, or manufacturing more than a certain amount of hazardous chemicals on-site at any time during a reporting year, are required to submit reports on their chemical inventories to state and local authorities. With the assistance of FRCOG, the Committee collected and recorded this information from 68 sites in Franklin County. As part of our SERC recertification process, these facilities were mapped. The maps and updated HMEP will soon be distributed to the emergency response coordinator in each town for inclusion in its local Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP).

Additionally, the Committee:

- Conducted trainings for local first responders, including a class on Hazardous Materials Awareness (Sunderland) and two Incident Command System 100/700 classes (Heath, Whately).
- Worked with the Pioneer Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross in an effort to establish a prototype regional emergency shelter.
- Sent representation to various subcommittees of the Western Region Homeland Security Council.
- Organized development of county-wide guidelines for support of emergency responder “rehab” and food services.

Your REPC membership currently¹ consists of the following individuals who represent fourteen disciplines:

Fire Service: Walter Tibbetts (Franklin County Fire Chiefs)
Law Enforcement: David Hastings (Franklin County Police Chiefs)
Emergency Medical Services: Bill Travis (Franklin County EMS)
Board of Health: Dave Chichester (Mohawk Area Public Health Coalition)
Hospitals: Joe Zukowski (Franklin Medical Center)
Transportation: Tina Cote (Franklin Regional Transit Authority)
Media: Open
Emergency Management: Robert Strahan (Town of Greenfield)
Public Works: Michael Pattavina (Town of Greenfield DPW)
Community Groups: Dawn Josefski (Franklin County CERT Team)
Environmental: David Slowick (MA Department of Environmental Protection)
Elected Officials: Mark Gilmore (Town of Deerfield)
Industry: James Field (University of Massachusetts)
Education: Michael Baldassarre, (Superintendent's Association)

In addition each of the member communities has designated an Emergency Response Coordinator who is the contact between the REPC and their town:

Ashfield: Del Haskins
Bernardston: Peter Shedd
Buckland: Arthur Henry Phillips
Charlemont: Charles Bellows
Colrain: Scott Sullivan
Conway: Rick Bean
Deerfield: Mark Gilmore
Erving: Luke Hartnett
Gill: Gene Beaubien
Greenfield: Michael Winn
Hawley: Greg Cox
Heath: Tim Lively
Leverett: James Field
Leyden: Gilda Galvis
Monroe: David Nash
Montague: Bob Escott
New Salem: Thomas Reidy
Northfield: Tom Newton
Orange: John Vanbobo
Rowe: Edwin May
Shelburne: Angus Dun III
Shutesbury: Walter Tibbetts
Sunderland: Robert Ahearn
Warwick: Gunnar Lambert
Wendell: Everett Ricketts
Whately: Lynn Sibley

Respectfully submitted,

John Taylor (Shelburne), Chair

Robert Strahan (Greenfield), Vice Chair

Lynn Sibley (Whately), Secretary

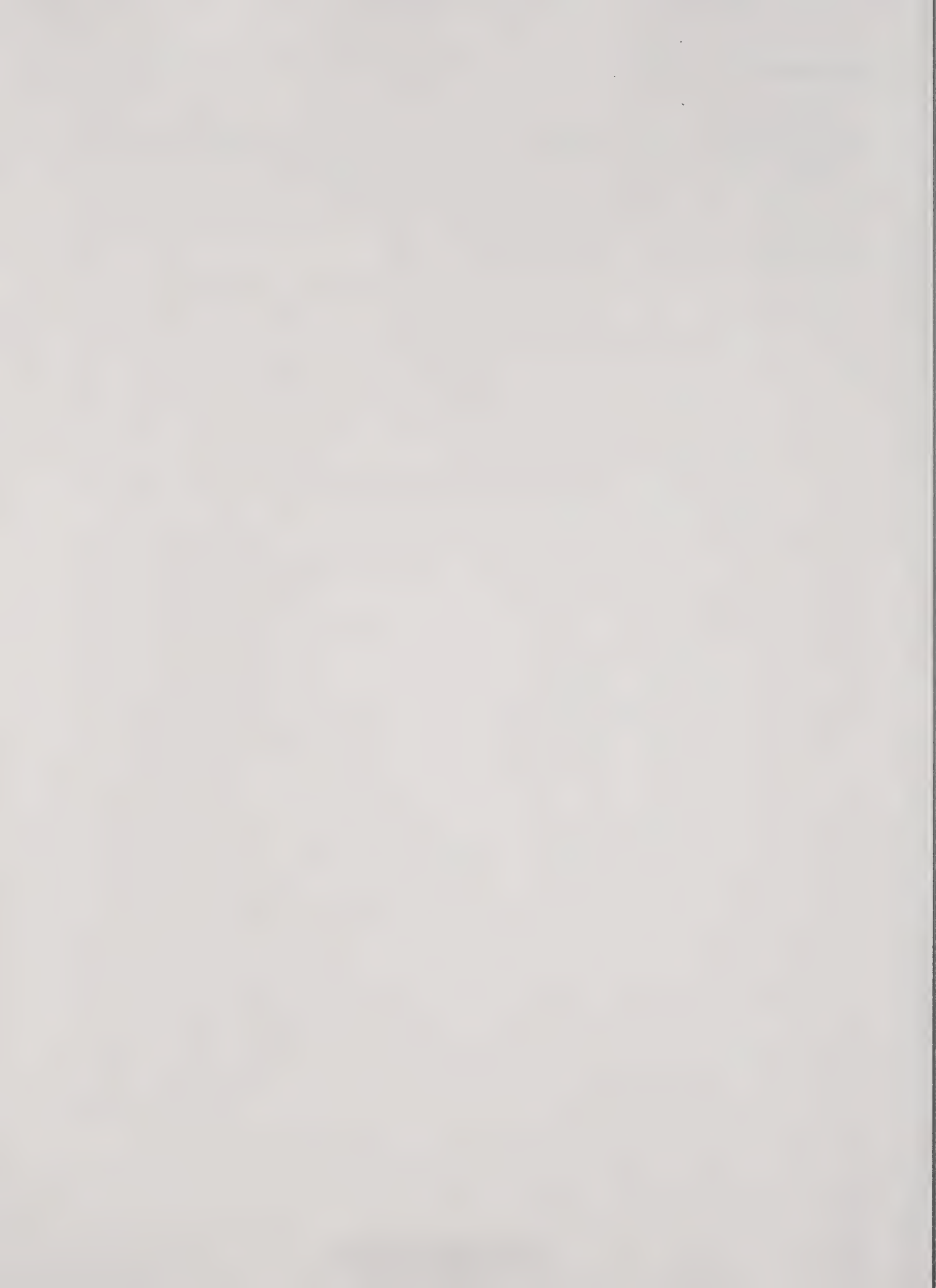
Patricia Auchard (Greenfield), Treasurer

Robert Strahan (Greenfield), Chair, Planning Subcommittee

Jim Field (Leverett), Chair, Industry Subcommittee

Michael Winn (Greenfield), Chair, Training Subcommittee

ⁱ As of 1/19/2011.



Report of the Finance Committee – FY10

In January, Governor Patrick announced mid year local aid cuts for FY09, our present operating year. For Whately, these cuts amounted to \$16,276. Although we have very little excess capacity in our budget, we were able to absorb these cuts with higher than predicted revenues.

As the Finance Committee prepared to deliberate an FY10 budget they did so with much trepidation. Our neighboring towns were reporting huge shortfalls and the Commonwealth was calling for major cuts in local aid. Each year we comment on the fact that Whately does not receive a lot of local aid from the state and our taxpayers are forced to pay most of our operating budget through taxation. This year, that works to our advantage; what we don't get they can't cut.

The Finance Committee is presenting a balanced budget for FY10 at this point in time. It is still unclear how much state aid we will receive as the House and Senate have not presented their budgets. Should the final legislative budget cut our state aid further, we may be forced to return to special town meeting to adjust our budget in June.

The Capital Planning Committee has offered a very modest capital plan of \$54,500 which will fund the second half of the police cruiser, a new water department truck, upgrades to the Westbrook Road water pump station and lightening protection to the main pump station. The Capital Planning Committee is also recommending that the school roof replacement project (\$230,000) and transfer station upgrades (\$75,000) be funded by a debt exclusion. As has been the case in the past, the Capital Planning Committee has been unable to fund the capital plan as it was intended so we will be playing catch up for quite a while when the economy turns around.

The Personnel Committee recommended a 2.5% COLA increase if the Finance Committee had the capacity to fund an increase of this size. They felt that it was important to keep our employee salaries in line with the market for the area as our employees are our greatest resource. The Selectmen and Finance Committee is recommending a 2% increase this year. Whately employees went without a COLA in 2007, so the Finance Committee felt that a 2% increase this year was justified.

The Finance Committee is attempting to fund the budget without depleting our reserves. The Stabilization account is presently \$212,270 (\$300,000 - \$400,000 is the optimal figure). We have also tried not to deplete the Free Cash account so that we have money to fall back on at the end of a fiscal year or should we have an emergency.

As always we are working on ways to cut costs. Now that cities and towns are able to join the State GIC health insurance program, we keep analyzing if switching would be a cost saving measure for the town. So far, our health insurance costs through the Hampshire Insurance Trust have remained cheaper than switching. There is some pressure on the legislature to allow the towns and cities the freedom to design plans in much the same way as the state. This would allow cities and towns to make changes in the plan such as raising co-pays to lower costs without having to renegotiate every union contract.

The town is also in the process of an energy performance contract which will enable the town to make energy efficient upgrades to our buildings and pay the costs back through our savings. There would be no way the town could afford to make these kind of upgrades on its own.

Last year, Whately voters passed the Community Preservation Act. This small surcharge which will be matched by the state, will help the town fund projects that we have been unable to consider in the past. Taxpayers will start seeing the new surcharge on their first quarterly bill that they will receive in July. Also, by switching to quarterly billing, the town will save the costs of borrowing.

The Finance Committee would like to thank the school administration and the school committees for their part in helping to control cost increases to the towns. The elementary school budget is just over 2% higher than last year and the Frontier budget, excluding transportation, is actually 9% lower. The Franklin County Technical School which is enrollment based came in 6% lower than last year. The federal stimulus package has allowed both Whately elementary and Frontier to lower their budgeted figures.

As part of the budgeting process, we must come up with an estimate on new growth, consider property valuations and local receipts. We are estimating a very low new growth amount. New houses are few but many building permits have been issued for additions and renovations which will increase valuation and in turn make up our new growth figure. With the downturn of the real estate market, we must take into consideration the value of our real estate. Sales in town continue to be at or above assessed values which leads us to believe that the downturn that has affected most of the country has not hit here in Whately. Excise tax is predicted to be lower as residents are holding on to their cars rather than buying new.

The Finance Committee is recommending the school roof project as a debt exclusion. This project would add about 39 cents to the tax rate. The previous water department debt and elementary school debt are no longer part of the tax base. The Finance Committee would like to look at other options for the transfer station upgrades and are not recommending that project be funded at this time.

This budget year was very difficult for all towns given the state of the economy in general. Most experts feel that it will be two years before the Commonwealth recovers from this recession. The Finance Committee has done its best in making fiscally responsible decisions in the best interest of the town. We must also keep in mind that as difficult as this year has been, next year may be even worse. For FY10, we have tried to keep the level of services that we have come to expect and we feel that this recommended budget does just that.

Respectfully submitted,
Whately Finance Committee

Thomas Mahar, Chair
Robert Fydenkevez
Gregory Gagnon
Jane Grybko

Dan Kennedy
Maryann Sadoski
Joseph Zewinski

REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Personnel Committee annually makes recommendations to the Selectmen and Finance Committee on the salaries and wages for all paid town positions. Salaries are reviewed each year and a survey of pay rates in similar size towns is conducted to ensure that Whately's salaries are competitive in the municipal sector.

The Personnel Committee met on February 24, 2009 to discuss the coming year's salaries. Positions in town seem to be at or just a little below market in this area. No adjustments were made in any position. The Personnel Committee did recommend a 2.5% COLA to the Finance Committee pending the status of the budget this year. The cost of a 2.5% COLA is \$12,247.40. The tentative schedule of salaries based on this 2.5% COLA for FY10 are on the following pages.

The Personnel Committee is made up of two representatives appointed by the Moderator, and one representative from the Board of Selectmen, one from the Finance Committee and one employee elected by the employees. The Town Administrator serves as a non-voting member. The Personnel Committee feels it has balanced the needs of the employees with the financial resources of the town to make a responsible Fiscal Year 2010 salary and wage recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Barschenski, Chair, moderator appointment
Janet Korytoski, Moderator appointment
Jane Grybko, Finance Committee representative
Jonathan S. Edwards, Selectmen representative
Keith Bardwell, Employee representative
Lynn Sibley, Town Administrator

**Town of Whately
Fiscal Year 2010
Personnel Committee
Recommended Salaries and Hourly Rates**

No COLA Raise or Adjustments in FY07

Position	FY 06 rate(3% COLA)	FY08 Adjustments	FY08 rate (3% COLA)	FY09 Adjustments	FY09 rate (2.5% COLA)	FY10 rate (2.5% COLA)	hour or annual
<u>Elected Officials</u>							
Selectmen - Chair	1,525.00		1,570.75		1,610.02	1,650.27	annual
Members	1,400.00		1,442.00		1,478.05	1,515.00	annual
Assessors - Chair	1,525.00		1,570.75		1,610.02	1,650.27	annual
Members	1,400.00		1,442.00		1,478.05	1,515.00	annual
Board of Health - Chair	725.00		746.75		765.42	784.55	annual
Members	600.00		618.00		633.45	649.29	annual
School Committee - Members	300.00		309.00		316.73	324.64	annual
Water Commissioners - Members	600.00		618.00		633.45	649.29	annual
Moderator	100.00		103.00		105.58	108.21	annual
Elector Oliver Smith Will	10.00		10.00		10.00	10.25	annual
Cemetery Commissioners as Sexton:	10.28		10.59		10.86	11.13	hour
Constables	11.34		11.68		11.97	12.27	hour
Opening Graves Fees	500.00		500.00		500.00	500.00	per opening
<u>Primary Positions</u>							
<u>Elected Officials:</u>							
Town Clerk	13,709.00		14,120.27		14,473.28	14,835.11	annual
<u>Administrative:</u>							
Town Administrator	34,000.00		35,020.00	1,050.60	36,972.37	37,896.67	annual
Municipal Secretary	14.71		15.15		15.53	15.92	hour
Treasurer/Collector	18.54		19.10		19.58	20.07	hour
<u>Highway:</u>							
Superintendent	46,085.54	922.00	48,417.77	485.23	50,125.57	51,378.71	annual
Foreman Oper/Lab; Regular	16.52	0.50	17.53		17.98	18.43	hour
Foreman Oper/Lab; Overtime	24.78	0.74	26.28		26.94	27.61	hour
Oper/Laborer; 3yrs+; Regular	14.78	0.44	15.68		16.08	16.48	
Overtime	22.17	0.66	23.52		24.10	24.71	
Operator/Laborer; 1-3 yrs.; Regular	14.26	0.43	15.13		15.52	15.90	hour
Overtime	21.39	0.64	22.69		23.26	23.85	hour
<u>Library:</u>							
Librarian	16,000.00		16,480.00	504.00	17,408.60	17,843.82	annual
<u>Water:</u>							
Superintendent	19,814.58		20,409.02		20,919.25	21,442.23	annual
<u>Assessors:</u>							
Assistant Assessor	15.92		16.39		16.80	17.22	hour
<u>Police:</u>							
Sgt. - Full-time							annual
Officer - Full-time	33,702.16	674.04	35,407.49		36,292.67	37,199.99	annual

Secondary Positions

**Town of Whately
Fiscal Year 2010
Personnel Committee
Recommended Salaries and Hourly Rates**

Appointed Employees	FY 06 rate(3% COLA)	FY08 Adjustments	FY08 rate (3% COLA)	FY09 Adjustments	FY09 rate (2.5% COLA)	FY10 rate (2.5% COLA)	hour or annual
<u>Highway:</u>							
Part-time Operator	11.97		12.33		12.64	12.95	hour
Part-time Laborer	10.47		10.78		11.06	11.34	hour
Transfer Station Attendant	11.98		12.34	0.70	13.36	13.70	hour
<u>Police:</u>							
Chief	44,341.50	2,661.00	48,412.58	2,904.75	52,600.26	53,915.26	annual
Part-time Officers	12.36		12.73		13.06	13.39	hour
<u>Animal Control:</u>							
Animal Control Officer	1,774.67		1,827.91		1,873.61	1,920.45	annual
Animal Inspector	313.90		323.31		331.40	339.68	annual
<u>Fire:</u>							
Chief	4,569.78		4,706.88	1,293.12	6,150.00	6,303.75	annual
Firefighter	11.42		11.77	0.48	12.56	12.88	hour
EMT Director	3,084.60		3,177.14		3,256.57	3,337.99	annual
EMT	11.42		11.77	0.48	12.56	12.88	hour
<u>Library:</u>							
Assistant Librarian	9.00		9.27		9.50	9.73	hour
Custodian	11.66		12.01		12.32	12.63	hour
<u>Registrars:</u>							
Members	90.95		93.68		96.02	98.42	annual
Clerk	125.34		129.10		132.32	135.63	annual
<u>Election Workers:</u>							
	7.71		7.94		8.14	8.34	hour
<u>Office Staff:</u>							
Planning Board Sec	11.15		11.48		11.77	12.06	hour
ZBA Sec.	11.15		11.48		11.77	12.06	hour
Clerical for Selectmen's Office	11.15		11.48		11.77	12.06	hour

COMMENTS REGARDING THE WARRANT

The warrant attached for the Annual Town Meeting to be held on April 28th is in DRAFT form. The Official warrant will be posted by April 21, 2009 at the Library, Center School Offices, Post Office, Town Hall and on the town's website at www.whately.org.

Copies of the official warrant will also be available at the Annual Town Meeting.

Most of the warrant is finalized but there may be some minor changes before the final posting.

Lynn Sibley
Town Administrator

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**Town of Whately
Annual Town Meeting Warrant
April 28, 2009**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Franklin, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Whately in the County of Franklin, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the **Whately Elementary School, 273 Long Plain Road** in Whately on **Tuesday, the twenty-eighth day of April** next, at **seven o'clock in the afternoon**, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to accept the Annual Reports of the officers of the Town, and to hear any other reports of the Boards and Committees, or take any other action relative thereto.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Finance Committee*

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2009, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or take any other action relative thereto.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Finance Committee*

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to enter into compensating balance agreements with banking institutions having their principal offices in the Commonwealth during Fiscal Year 2010, as permitted by General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F, or take any other action relative thereto.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Finance Committee*

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to apply for, accept, and expend any federal, state or private grant monies on behalf of the Town and authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of reimbursement or take any other action relative thereto.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Finance Committee*

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize revolving funds for certain town departments under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 s. 53 E ½ for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Finance Committee

Revolving Fund	Authorized to Spend Fund	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY2010 Spending Limit	Disposition of FY09 Fund Balance	Spending Restrictions or Comments
Dog Licensing and Control Revolving Fund	Town Clerk, Animal Control Officer	Dog license fees, fines and late charges	Any lawful expense related to dog licensing, animal control officer operating expenses, or any expense related to the implementation of the town's Dog Control By-law	\$1,000	\$1,000 of balance available for expenditure, remainder to revert to General Fund	Funds may not be spent for the salaries of any full-time employees
Recreation Revolving Fund	Recreation Commission by majority vote of its membership	Sports program registration fees, building and park rental fees, donations and proceeds from fund-raisers	Any lawful expense related to the activities, programs, and facilities operated by the Recreation Commission	\$10,000	Balance available for expenditure	Funds may not be spent for the salaries of any full-time employees
Library Revolving Fund	Trustees of S. W. Dickinson Memorial Library, by majority vote of its membership	Fees from overdue books and videos and fees from copy machine use	Any lawful expense associated with the activities and programs of the S. W. Dickinson Memorial Library	\$1,000	Balance available for expenditure	Funds may not be spent for the salaries of any full-time employees
Public Hearings Revolving Fund	Town Clerk	Fees for costs of public hearings	Costs related to hearings: advertising, recording fees, and other expenses	\$2,500	Balance available for expenditure.	Funds may not be spent for the salaries of any full-time employees
Cordwood Sales Revolving Fund	Tree Warden, Highway Superintendent	Revenues from sale of cordwood.	Purchase of replacement trees on town property.	\$1,000	Balance available for expenditure	Funds may not be spent for the salaries of any full-time employees.
Cemetery Commissioner Revolving Fund	Cemetery Commissioners	Opening Graves Fees	Costs of contractor expenses for digging graves and commissioners expenses for burial	\$1,000	Balance available for expenditure	Funds may not be spent for the salaries of any full-time employees
Trench Permit	Highway Superintendent and Police Department	Trench Permit Fees	Costs of enforcement of Trench Permit Regulation	\$1,000	Balance available for expenditure	Funds may not be spent for the salaries of any full-time employees
Total Spending:				\$16,500		

Article 6: To see if the Town will fix the salaries or compensation of the elected officers of the town for Fiscal Year 2010 as follows or take any other action relative thereto:

	FY09	FY10 (2% COLA)
Moderator	\$105	\$107.69
Selectmen - Chair	\$1,610	\$1,642.24
Members	\$1,478	\$1,507.60
Town Clerk	\$14,473	\$14,762.74
Assessors - Chair	\$1,610	\$1,642.24
Members	\$1,478	\$1,507.60
Water Commissioners	\$633	646.00
School Committee	\$316	322.32
Elector: Oliver Smith Will	\$10	10.00
Board of Health - Chair	\$765	780.00
Members	\$633	646.00
Constables	\$11.97	\$12.20
Cemetery Commissioners - Sextons	\$10.91	\$11.13
Opening Graves Fee	\$500/grave	\$500/grave

Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Finance Committee

Article 7: To act on the report of the Finance Committee on the Fiscal Year 2010 budget and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, money for the operation of the town's departments and the payment of debt service and all other necessary and proper expenses for the year, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed Fiscal Year 2010 Budget

The Finance Committee recommends that the amounts shown in the column captioned "FY10 Finance Committee Recommendations" be raised or appropriated or transferred from available funds for FY10 department operating purposes, debt service and other town expenses.

Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Finance Committee

Department	FY07 Final Voted Budget With Override Vote and Final Cherry Sheet	FY08 Voted Budget	FY09 Budget After June 24 STM	FY10 Finance Committee Recommendations
<u>Gen. Govt.</u>				
Selectmen's Office	63,000.00	64,958.00	65,159.00	66,069.00
Legal Counsel	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
Audit	5,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Town Report	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,450.00	2,400.00
Town Bldg. Oper.	18,900.00	20,600.00	22,500.00	22,100.00
Town Clerk	19,910.00	20,487.00	22,520.00	20,917.00
Town Accountant	16,524.00	15,008.00	15,819.00	14,675.00
Payroll software	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Payroll Preparation	2,800.00	2,980.00	3,055.00	3,116.00
Acct Software		5,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Treasurer/Collector	36,267.00	37,333.00	38,388.00	40,848.00
Tax Takings	1,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Assessors(including reval.)	26,397.00	28,401.00	28,948.00	29,358.00
Planning Board	1,885.00	1,709.00	1,786.00	1,805.00
Zoning Bd. Appeals	1,168.00	1,215.00	1,248.00	1,261.00
Finance Comm.	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
Moderator	100.00	103.00	106.00	108.00
Cons. Comm.	500.00	502.00	502.00	500.00
Historical Comm.	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Agricultural Commission		200.00	200.00	200.00
Quarterly Billing Conversion			4,140.00	
Additional Quarterly Costs			1,940.00	
CPA software			3,400.00	
Connect CTY			0.00	
Sub-Total:	205,054.00	217,746.00	231,011.00	222,207.00
<u>Cult., Rec., Serv.</u>				
Tri-Town Beach	3,850.00	4,029.00	4,067.00	4,067.00
Recreation Comm.	3,600.00	3,600.00	4,950.00	4,950.00
Cemetery Comm.	0.00	4,784.00	4,877.00	4,952.00
Library	35,644.00	36,962.00	38,825.00	39,762.00
Council on Aging	3,322.00	3,322.00	4,076.00	4,076.00
Veterans	4,327.00	4,464.00	4,788.00	8,141.00
Sub-Total:	50,743.00	57,161.00	61,583.00	65,948.00

Department	FY07 Final Voted Budget With Override Vote and Final Cherry Sheet	FY08 Voted Budget	FY09 Budget After June 24 STM	FY10 Finance Committee Recommendations
<u>Public Health</u>				
Board of Health	2,255.00	2,283.00	2,333.00	2,373.00
Health Agent	11,086.00	13,286.00	14,976.00	13,476.00
Solid Waste Disp.	25,500.00	36,191.00	36,487.00	35,955.00
Hazardous Waste	750.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
FC Waste Dist.	3,684.00	3,693.00	3,895.00	4,140.00
Sub-Total:	43,275.00	56,253.00	58,491.00	56,744.00
<u>Public Safety</u>				
Fire	29,775.00	34,934.00	38,335.00	41,343.00
Ambulance	19,230.00	20,401.00	20,946.00	23,160.00
Police	97,896.00	107,212.00	116,606.00	119,610.00
Quinn Bill Incentive	6,740.00	7,082.00	7,260.00	7,404.00
Animal Control	2,352.00	2,405.00	2,451.00	2,489.00
Animal Inspection	309.00	409.00	420.00	428.00
Emergency Mgt.	935.00	960.00	960.00	960.00
FC Inspection Prog.	35,182.00	40,198.00	40,016.00	44,623.00
Sub-Total:	192,419.00	213,601.00	226,994.00	240,017.00
<u>Public Works</u>				
<u>Highway Dept.</u>				
Salaries	103,641.00	99,471.00	102,330.00	104,380.00
Gen. Highways	59,031.00	66,300.00	67,650.00	67,650.00
Winter Roads	83,447.00	85,780.00	100,638.00	113,745.00
Road Machinery	17,675.00	17,675.00	17,955.00	20,955.00
Garage Maint.	5,695.00	5,880.00	6,080.00	5,680.00
Trees	3,600.00	6,150.00	6,150.00	6,150.00
Adjustment to Highway				
Sub-Total:	273,089.00	281,256.00	300,803.00	318,560.00
<u>Water Dept.</u>				
Salaries	22,397.00	23,042.00	23,619.00	24,091.00
Operations	23,000.00	25,000.00	23,000.00	25,970.00
Sub-Total:	45,397.00	48,042.00	46,619.00	50,061.00
Sub-Total:	\$318,486.00	329,298.00	347,422.00	368,621.00

Department	FY07 Final Voted Budget With Override Vote and Final Cherry Sheet	FY08 Voted Budget	FY09 Budget After June 24 STM	FY10 Finance Committee Recommendations
<u>Ins. & Benefits</u>				
Prop. & Liab. Ins.	55,000.00	60,500.00	55,000.00	49,514.00
Emp. Health Ins.	258,000.00	268,649.00	288,649.00	309,000.00
Medicare & Soc. Sec.	14,000.00	15,400.00	16,900.00	20,000.00
Workers Comp. Ins.	12,000.00	14,000.00	10,000.00	19,500.00
Life	1,260.00	1,260.00	1,400.00	1,400.00
Unemp. Ins.	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Retirement	82,541.00	87,274.00	96,269.00	98,948.00
Sub-Total:	423,801.00	448,083.00	469,218.00	499,362.00
<u>Unclassified</u>				
Temp. Loan Int.	3,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	2,000.00
Reserve Fund	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Stabilization Fund				
FR Council of Govt.	16,083.33	16,862.00	15,686.00	15,170.00
Physicals & Tests	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00
Town Vehicles Fuel	25,000.00	25,000.00	31,000.00	29,000.00
Educational Inc. (T. Clerk & Coll)	1,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Sub-Total:	65,833.33	68,612.00	73,436.00	68,920.00
Total Town Govt.:	1,299,611.33	1,390,754.00	1,468,155.00	1,521,819.00
Schools				
<u>Elementary</u>				
Operating	1,233,293.00	1,338,790.00	1,426,736.00	1,455,695.00
Sub-Total:	1,233,293.00	1,338,790.00	1,426,736.00	1,455,695.00
<u>Frontier</u>				
Operating	853,243.00	881,467.00	935,720.00	844,823.00
Transportation	8,983.00	4,690.00	4,424.00	10,287.00
Sub-Total:	862,226.00	886,157.00	940,144.00	855,110.00

Department	FY07 Final Voted Budget With Override Vote and Final Cherry Sheet	FY08 Voted Budget	FY09 Budget After June 24 STM	FY10 Finance Committee Recommendations
<u>FC Technical</u>				
Operating	85,353.00	98,461.00	105,738.00	98,683.00
Sub-total:	85,353.00	98,461.00	105,738.00	98,683.00
Smith Vocational Tuition	31,000.00	32,000.00		17,800.00
Total Schools:	2,211,872.00	2,355,408.00	2,472,618.00	2,427,288.00
Total Town & Sch:	3,511,483.33	3,746,162.00	3,940,773.00	3,949,107.00
<u>Long term-Debt</u>				
Water System Bond	112,362.50	114,537.50	111,512.50	0.00
Whately Elem. School Bond	284,400.00	277,250.00	257,500.00	0.00
Frontier Bond	110,543.00	110,526.00	81,769.00	74,251.00
Elementary Roof				86,200.00
Sub-Total:	507,305.50	502,313.50	450,781.50	160,451.00
Total Operating Budget	4,018,788.83	4,248,475.50	4,391,554.50	4,109,558.00

Article. 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to transfer from FY2008 Free Cash the sum of **\$93,300** to reduce the tax levy for FY2010.

*Recommended by Finance Committee
Recommended by Selectmen*

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide the sum of **\$27,000** to replace the ¾ ton pickup truck for the Water Department, as part of the 2010 Capital Improvement Plan, or take any other action relative thereto.

*Recommended by Finance Committee
Recommended by the Capital Improvement Planning Committee
Recommended by Selectmen*

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to amend Article 13 voted on at the April 29, 2008 Annual Town Meeting removing the words “or the first year of a two year lease to own schedule”: The vote should now read: Vote to transfer from available funds (FY07 Free Cash) the sum of \$13,500 for a police cruiser for the Police Department, as part of the 2009 Capital Improvement Plan or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by Finance Committee
Recommended by the Capital Improvement Planning Committee
Recommended by Selectmen

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide the sum of **\$13,500** to be combined with the \$13,500 appropriated April 29, 2008 under Article 13 and amended under Article 10 of this town meeting for the purchase of a police cruiser for the Police Department as part of the 2010 Capital Improvement Plan, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by Finance Committee
Recommended by the Capital Improvement Planning Committee
Recommended by Selectmen

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide the sum of **\$8,000** for changing the pumps to variable speed pumps and a remote alarm/status system for the Water Department Westbrook Pump Station as part of the 2010 Capital Improvement Plan, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by Finance Committee
Recommended by the Capital Improvement Planning Committee
Recommended by Selectmen

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide the sum of **\$6,000** for Lightening Protection at the pump station for the Water Department as part of the 2010 Capital Improvement Plan, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by Finance Committee
Recommended by the Capital Improvement Planning Committee
Recommended by Selectmen

Article 14. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of **\$230,000** by borrowing to replace the Whately Elementary School Roof and to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to issue any bonds or notes that may be necessary for that purpose, as authorized by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 Section 7 (3A) for a period not to exceed five years, provided however, that this appropriation and debt authorization be contingent upon passage of a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion referendum under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 21C (k).

Recommended by Finance Committee
Recommended by the Capital Improvement Planning Committee
Recommended by Selectmen

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide the sum of **\$2,200** to enter into an agreement with the NTI Group for FY10 to supply a community notification system called Connect-CTY to the town and further to allow the Board of Selectmen to renew the contract yearly at their discretion and provide a line item to cover the cost in the annual omnibus budget beginning in FY2011 or take any other action relative thereto.

*Recommended by Finance Committee
Recommended by Selectmen*

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following bylaw:

Non criminal disposition.

The provisions of the Whately General Bylaws or any rule or regulation of any Town board, officer, commission, or committee, may be enforced by the Board of Selectmen, any Police Officer of the Town of Whately, Board of Health, or other enforcing authority specifically authorized by by-law, rule or regulation, by any available means in law or equity, including but not limited to enforcement by non-criminal disposition pursuant to G.L. c. 40, §21D. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate violation. When enforced through non-criminal disposition, unless otherwise specifically provided for by by-law, rule or regulation, the penalties shall be as follows:

First violation:	\$100.00
Second violation:	\$200.00
Third and subsequent violations:	\$300.00

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Finance Committee*

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of GL c.44B section 5, to amend the Town of Whately bylaws to adopt a new general bylaw creating a Community Preservation Committee, to read as follows:

Community Preservation Committee

Section 1. Establishment

There is hereby established a Community Preservation Committee, consisting of seven (7) voting members pursuant to MGL Chapter 44B. The composition of the Committee, the appointment authority and the term of office for the Committee members shall be as follows:

One member of the Conservation Commission as delegated by the Commission for a term of one year and thereafter for a term of three years.

One member of the Historical Commission as designated by the Commission for a term of one year and thereafter for a term of three years.

One member of the Planning Board as designated by the Board for a term of two years and thereafter for a term of three years.

One individual with interest or expertise in Housing appointed by the Moderator for an initial term of two years and thereafter for a term of three years..

One individual with interest or expertise in Parks and Recreation appointed by the Moderator for an initial term of two years and thereafter for a term of three years.

Two members, who are residents of the Town, to be appointed by the Moderator, each member to be appointed for a term of three years.

Should any of the Commissions, Boards, Councils, or Committees who have appointment authority under this Chapter be no longer in existence for what ever reason, the appointment authority for the Commission, Board, or Council shall become the responsibility of the Moderator.

Any member of the Committee may be removed for cause by their respective appointing authority after a hearing.

Section 2. Duties:

1. The community preservation committee shall study the needs, possibilities and resources of the town regarding community preservation. The committee shall consult with existing municipal boards, including the conservation commission, agricultural commission, the historical commission, the planning board, the department of public works, open space committee and the regional housing authority, or persons acting in those capacities or performing like duties in conducting such studies. As part of its study, the committee shall hold one or more public informational hearings on the needs of the town regarding community preservation possibilities and resources, notice of which shall be posted publicly, including on the Town's website, and published for each of two weeks preceding a hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the town.
2. The community preservation committee shall make recommendations to the Town Meeting for the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space, for the acquisition and preservation of historic resources, for the acquisition, creation and preservation of land for recreational use, for the creation, preservation and support of community housing and for rehabilitation or restoration of such open space, historic resources, land for recreational use and community housing that is acquired or created as provided in this section. With respect to community housing, the community preservation committee shall recommend, where ever possible, the reuse of existing buildings or construction of new buildings on previously developed sites.
3. The community preservation committee may include in its recommendation to the Town Meeting a recommendation to set aside for later spending, funds for specific purposes that are consistent with community preservation but for which sufficient revenues are not then available in the Community Preservation Fund to accomplish that specific purpose or to set aside for later spending funds for general purposes that are consistent with community preservation.
4. In every fiscal year, the community preservation committee must recommend either that the legislative body spend, or set aside for later spending, not less than 10% of the annual revenues in the Community Preservation Fund for each of (a) open space (not including land for recreational use), (b) historic resources; and (c) community housing.

5. The Committee shall submit an annual administrative and operating budget for the Committee, which cannot exceed five percent (5%) of the annual revenues in the Fund, to Town Meeting for approval.
6. The Committee shall provide a summarized report and explanation in the Annual Report in such a manner to give the citizens a fair and full understanding and methods of such expenditures.

Section 3. Requirement for quorum and cost estimates

The community preservation committee shall comply with the provisions of the Open Meeting Law, MGL Chapter 39, section 23B. The committee shall not meet or conduct business without the presence of a majority of the members of the committee. The committee shall approve its actions by majority vote. Recommendations to the Town Meeting shall include the committee's anticipated costs.

Section 4. Exemptions

Taxpayers qualifying for the low-income exemption or the low and moderate-income senior exemption as provided for in the Act and approved by the voters, shall submit an application for the exemption on a form provided by the Assessors, within three months after the bill or notice is sent.

Section 5: Amendments

This by-law may be amended from time to time by a majority vote of the Town Meeting, consistent with the provisions of MGL, Chapter 44B.

Section 6: Severability

In case any section, paragraph or part of this by-law be for any reason declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court, every other section, paragraph or part shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 7: Effective Date

Provided that this by-law is accepted at the 2009 Annual Town Meeting, this by-law shall take effect upon approval by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth, and after all requirements of MGL Chapter 40 section 32 have been met.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Implementation Committee*

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to establish the following bylaw in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 39 section 15: When a two-thirds vote of Town Meeting is required by statute, the Moderator shall make a public declaration of the vote and a count need not be taken. If a vote, so declared, is immediately questioned by seven (7) or more voters, the Moderator shall verify the vote by calling for a standing vote; or act in a manner relating thereto.

Recommended by Selectmen

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept M.G.L. Ch. 61 section 2 which taxes classified forest land as open space instead of commercial property, to be effective for taxes assessed for any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2010.

Recommended by Selectmen

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept M.G.L. Ch. 61A section 4A section which taxes classified farm land as open space instead of commercial property, to be effective for taxes assessed for any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2010.

Recommended by Selectmen

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept M.G.L. Ch. 61B section 2A section which taxes classified recreational land as open space instead of commercial property, to be effective for taxes assessed for any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2010.

Recommended by Selectmen

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Code of the Town of Whately, Chapter 212 (Streets and Sidewalks) to include the following general bylaw:

Article IV

Trench Permits

Section 1. No person shall cause to be made the excavation of a trench on public ways, public property or private property without having fully complied with the requirements of M.G.L. Chapter 82A and 520 CMR 14.00

Section 2. The Board of Selectmen shall have the authority to appoint the Permitting Authority for the implementation of 520 CMR 14.00 and this permitting authority shall be responsible for the issuance of trench permits to any entity that performs trench excavation work in the Town of Whately. The fee for trench permits shall be established by the Permitting Authority subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen.

Section 3. This bylaw may be enforced by the Town of Whately Police Officers and the Highway Superintendent or his designee.

Section 4. Any person who violates the provisions of Section 1 of this bylaw shall be subject to a fine of (\$50) for each offense, each day of a continued violation being considered a separate offence. In lieu of enforcement through criminal proceeding, any enforcing person, may, at his or her discretion, enforce this bylaw by non-criminal disposition in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 21D or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by Selectmen

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of April, in the year two thousand and nine.

Alan Sanderson, Jr. Chair

Paul K. Newlin

Jonathan S. Edwards
Board of Selectmen
Town of Whately

A true copy. Attest:

Constable

WHATELY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTO WELCOMES YOU TO

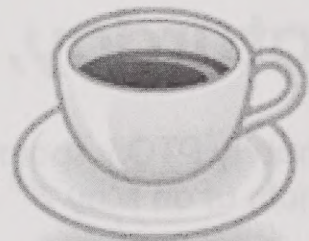
TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, April 28th

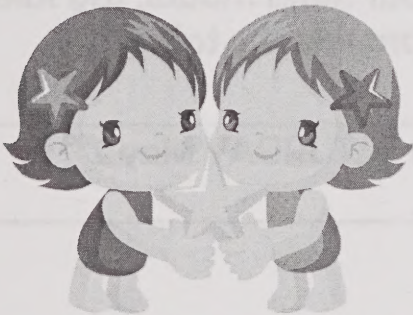
Whately Elementary School

ENJOY COFFEE AND DESSERT BEFORE THE MEETING:

Coffee and Dessert
6:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.
in the school cafeteria



AND...CHILDCARE IS AVAILABLE DURING THE MEETING:



Free childcare ~ starts at 7 P.M.

Call 665-1388 or email

layerfamily@gmail.com to reserve space

Free childcare is available during the town meeting. Children will gather in the after-school program room and will be supervised by a teacher. Weather permitting, children will be able to play on the playground. The lead teacher will be assisted by several high school age helpers.

We need to have a good idea before the meeting how many children we will need care providers for, so please let us know by . . .

Please call Kathy at 665-1388 or email her at layerfamily@gmail.com to reserve a space for your child/children.

DESSERT AND CHILDCARE ARE SPONSORED BY THE
WHATELY ELEMENTARY PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Grandmother's Attic

at Whately Elementary School



Saturday, May 2nd: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

The Whately PTO is sponsoring our first annual Grandmother's Attic event! Please join us on May 2nd from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. for a fun filled community fair!

HOW IT WORKS:

Bring your craft fair inventory, farmer's market wares, your hand makes, tag sale items, flea market what have yous...**BE CREATIVE!!** We provide the table!

*Reserve your table for \$20.00 and show up at 8am on SATURDAY May 2nd to set up! It's THAT SIMPLE!!

WHO?

Do you plan on having a Spring Tag Sale? Do you have some things you no longer use/need/too big/too small? Are you a local artisan, crafter, gardener, farmer, inventor, baker or fiber artist? Started seedlings and have too many? Is your attic/basement/ garage/home/business in need of a Spring Cleaning? Are you sponsoring a fundraiser and need a venue? Come one come all!

It's ALL HERE in your GRANDMOTHER'S ATTIC! RESERVE YOUR SPACE NOW!! Deadline for table reservations: April 30th

Contact: Lisa Hamilton 413-253-1857 or ricefalconx42@hotmail.com

* Vendors responsible for their own clean up. Please carry out what you carry in!

TOWN DIRECTORY

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Fire, Ambulance, Police

911

TOWN DEPARTMENTS

<i>Department</i>	<i>Office</i>	<i>Phone</i>
Assessors	Town Hall	665-3470
Health Agent – Jackie Duda	Foothills Health District	268-8404
Animal Control Officer		665-8027
Emergency Management	Center School	665-4400
FAX for Center School		665-9560
FAX for Town Hall		665-5064
Fire Department		665-2230
Burning Permits (Jan 15- April 30)		625-8200
Highway Department		665-2983
Highway Department Fax		665-2984
Inspection Services		772-2026
Building	Courthouse	x123
Plumbing & Gas	Courthouse	x125
Wiring	Courthouse	x126
Police (non-emergency)	77 Christian Lane	665-0430
Police Dispatch (non-emergency)		625-8200
Schools:		
Whately Elementary		665-7826
Frontier Regional		665-2118
Franklin County Technical		863-9561
Selectmen	Center School	665-4400
S. White Dickinson Library	Library	665-2170
Town Collector/Treasurer	Town Hall	665-2595
Town Clerk	Center School	665-0054
Town Accountant	Town Hall	665-2595
Water Department	Center School	665-3080

OFFICE HOURS

Assessors	Tuesdays 9 am – 8 pm, Wednesdays 9 am– 4 pm
Library	Mondays and Wednesdays 1pm– 8 pm
	Saturdays 10 am – 3 pm
Selectmen	Monday - Tuesdays 9 am– 6 pm;
	Wednesday -Friday 9 am. – 4 pm
Town Clerk	Mondays Noon – 7 pm
	Tuesday - Friday 9 am - 4 pm
Treasurer/Town Collector	Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:45 AM – 2:45 PM
	Mondays 3 – 7 PM
Transfer Station	Tuesday, Noon – 5 PM Saturdays 7 AM. – 5 PM